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This Annual Number of
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Foreward

by Principal A. T. Burton



It takes no money to open the doors of the enchanted castle of the intellectual life and it does not depend upon your beauty or the social position of your father. Burns, the plow-boy, Lincoln, the rail splitter, together with the master minds of all ages are enthroned here. You are more than welcome, you are invited. The latch string is always out. Here you can meet and converse with these great men. Each is ready to give you his choicest thoughts.

Your life is what you make it. It may be a bitter, hard, burdensome thing; or it may mean joy, aspiration, daily progress. What are you making of yours? The intellectual life will sweeten your toil, make your idle hours a glorious opportunity, increase your potential power; it will make life mean to you something noble and worth while.

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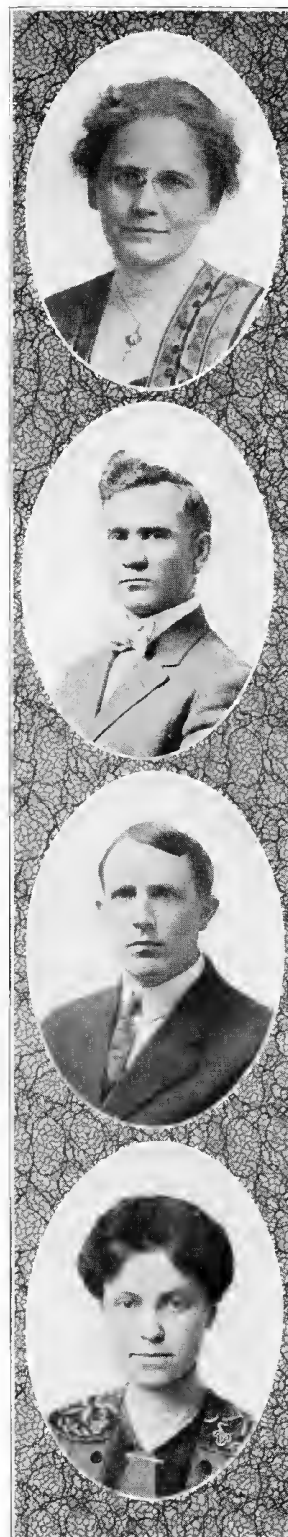
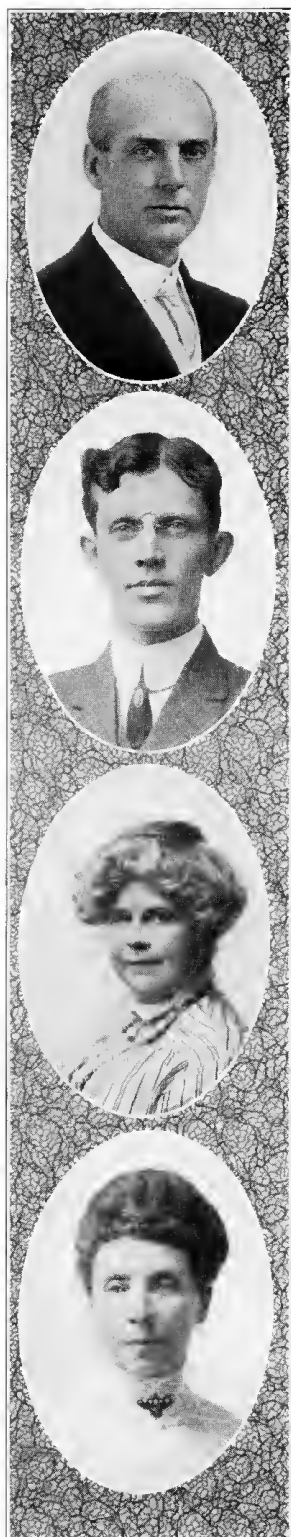
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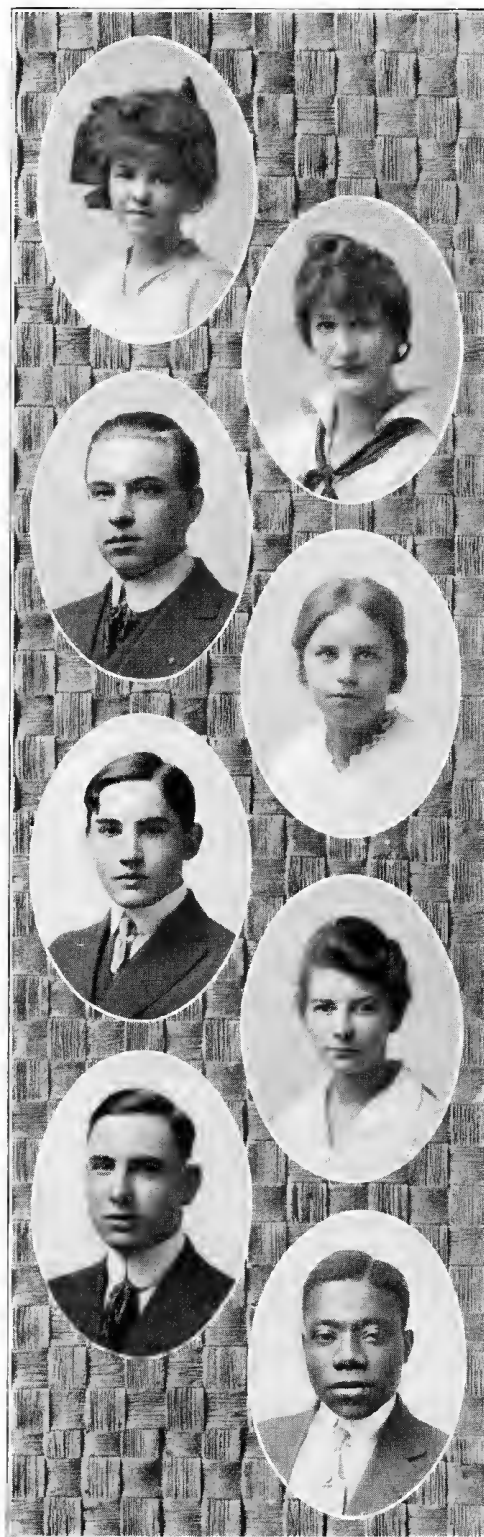
Scarlet and Black.

Motto

Fortiter et Fideliter.
 Bravely and faithfully.

Flower

Poppy.



Seniors

MARGARET ANDERSON

Small and active, having the air "I am some one to be reckoned with, even if I am little," is Margaret Anderson. We wouldn't call her exactly spoiled — but probably her habit illustrates our meaning best. When not receiving as much attention as she thinks is her due, "Mar" has a habit of meowing very plaintively. Those who know her realize that it is best not to rub her the wrong way. Yet, her friends find her an adorable little Miss.

MARION ATKINSON

"Sukcy" as Marion is most commonly called is a combination of many winning traits among which originality and wit are not the least. With all her love for fun, she has been an excellent scholar, as her clever prophecy on class day clearly illustrated.

MELVIN ANDERSON

The Seniors of 1915 can boast of one thing. They have with them a human observation tower. Big or little Melvin would have our friendship because of his many good qualities, his obligingness, and his sunny, agreeable disposition.

INGEGERD ANDERSON

Ingegerd Anderson is one of the quietest and brightest of the Senior girls. Her ever ready smile and accomodating way make her everybody's friend. She has several times written for the Watch Tower, when the Watch Tower was in a tight pinch, winning forever the gratitude of the Staff. "Ambition" the part taken by Ingegerd in the Class Day Play was most appropriate.

CLARENCE BRASHAR

Clarence is one of our immigrants, coming to us from Milan. His dignified, quiet manner, his studious habits, and his willingness to help in anything at any time have won for him many friends and have made him respected by all. Clarence took the part of "Failure" on Class Day.

ELIZABETH BRYAN

Although not studiously inclined, "Lizzie" took the part of "Diligence" on Class Day with great ease. Besides she has other talents. Those who have tasted her delicious cooking have immediately become her ardent admirers. Another of Lizzie's talents which she has used most effectively, although of course, unconsciously, is coquetishness. The last has made her a connoisseur of hearts. Lizzie says she intends to become a trained nurse, but we say that she will deal in hearts until the end of the game, which present appearances indicate will be a short one.

RAYMOND BURTON

Raymond Burton has a high school record in which he may justly take great pride. Coming to us in our Junior year he has accomplished the herculean feat of completing a four year course in two years time. This necessitated his carrying each year twice as much work as the rest of us were doing. The class of '15 is certainly proud of Raymond Burton.

BENJAMIN BUTLER

Ben is not such a great athlete as his brother, but his forte lies in "training". He is accomplished in this line as his work with the football and basketball squads have proved. Ben is a good student and in collaboration with his brother has composed and is selling a book.

SOLOMON BUTLER

Perhaps the greatest athlete R. I. H. S. has ever had is "Sol" Butler. In football he is a wonder as his constant spectacular work on the team last fall proved. In basketball he is just as good and on the track he has no equal. It is becoming a habit with him to win big track meets now *all by his own* individual efforts.

GENEVIEVE CARLSON

A girl who took third place in the Girl's Declamatory contest, secured a part in the Senior Class Play, took an active interest in basketball and Hart affairs, and won friends left and right, all in one year, is Genevieve Carlson. "Gen" joined our class at the beginning of this year, proving herself a valuable asset. The only thing she seriously objects to is being called "Jennie."

PHILIP DARLING

Besides attending studiously to his work during the four years of his high school life and making for himself a host of friends Phillip Darling has been a valuable and faithful member of the orchestra; he played the flute.

HARRY CLARKE

"Click" is one of our basketball "sharks." As center and forward on the Senior basketball team, he played a clean, gritty, and progressive game, which is characteristic of him in all his work.

LUCY CLARK

As Captain of the Senior basketball team, Lucy certainly made good and it was through no fault of hers that the girls of '15 did not carry off the championship. During her first three years in high school Lucy was unusually bashful, but this last year has wrought a delightful change. We wonder if those third period chats are in any way the cause. Lucy has also displayed her ability this year by holding successfully the secretaryship of the Hart.

ULYSSES CLARK

Another of our athletes is Ulysses Clark. Prominent on the football field, a member of the varsity track team, as well as guard for the class basketball team, and second baseman on the baseball aggregation, he has given to school and class his athletic abilities.

ROBERT CLINE

The leading man and the star of the evening, Mr. Thomas Carter of the Senior Class Play was Mr. Robert Cline, vice-president of the Ciceronian Debating Society and second speaker of our affirmative debating team. His efficient work for his class and school will long be remembered.

ROSS CLINE

Coming with his brother to R. I. in his senior year, Ross has made a valuable addition to our class. He is destined to become a great financier. At least present indications say so, because every time the class felt the need of money, whether for pins or rings or for a party or just class dues, Ross was the first person thought of. Ross has made a valuable addition to our class. He took the part of "Success" successfully on Class Day. By the way Ross is very fond of poultry, especially of duck.





CELESTE COMEGYS

Celeste is a combination of the artistic, dramatic, literary, and romantic. Her pretty posters which have frequently adorned the bulletin board and her acting in "Confound It," given in the Frolic, prove the first two characteristics. Readers of the Watch Tower can give evidence of the third, while the Watch Tower Staff can attest to the last, through their Business Manager.

VIOLET CORSTON

All classes have their musical members. The Class of '15 has one to be proud of in Violet Corston. She has won honor for her class on many occasions through her musical attainments.

RAYMOND CRISWELL

Leaving us at the end of the first semester, Ray has again returned to graduate with his class. Criswell is noted for many things among which are his steady and consistent playing on the gridiron, his agreeableness, and his earnest pursuit of his studies, and last but not least his pompadours.

WILL CULLY

Bill is somewhat of an athlete. He played on the varsity football team and the same position on the class and varsity basketball teams and occupied the initial bag position on the Senior baseball team. Besides this he is quite a track man. He was elected captain of the Senior track team and produced a winning team.

EMMA DINGLEDEIN

"Em" sometimes displays queer streaks of obstancy such as remaining awake until three o'clock in the morning at house parties. But such absurd actions on "Em's" part are not frequent, being at variance with her usually easy-going, happy self. Emma is the kind of a girl whose friendship is well worth striving for.

HELEN DODSON

How it ever happened that Helen could have her picture taken alone is still a mystery to us, because wherever you see Helen you are sure to see Jeanette. Such inseparable friends it is hard to find. We would all like to own a friend as faithful as Helen.

LEO DOERING

Leo certainly played the part of Uncle Tom in our class play to perfection. Not only in the play, but before it and during the preparations, his industry and knowledge of how to do things made his services very valuable to the class.

IRENE DOLL

Another of '15's quiet girls is Irene Doll. Irene is the example of a girl who, never thrusting herself on others, is nevertheless the possessor of a great number of friends who love her quiet ways.

ALICE DOYLE

Quiet and unassuming, Alice Doyle has successfully accomplished her work in high school. Alice has worked faithfully and the Class of '15 are glad to have her for a member.

JEANETTE DOYLE

Here is Jeanette, the other half of the "Inseparables." She, we fear is the one on whom we must lay the blame of all those little giggling matches in English and Latin. Jeanette's sense of humor is perfectly delightful. No one could possibly remain cross for long when she is near.

LOUIS DRIPS

Louis is quite a track man and has several times demonstrated his abilities there. However, he did not take up this work to any extent, not wishing to sacrifice his other work. As Officer Hogan of our class play he helped to make the play the big success which it was.

BESSIE EGGERT

Bessie joined our class in her Junior year. She has indeed employed her time to good advantage, studying diligently at all times. Her example might well have been followed by many of our high school students.

AVIS ELY

All those who have attended the last two parties of the Class of '15 have carried home dainty place cards. Those place cards were made and painted by Avis Ely. Avis has a talent and is kind enough to use it in behalf of others. Those who know Avis know that she is not only good natured, but also a willing worker.

DAISY FAUST

A quieter or sweeter girl could not be desired. Daisy is one of those girls that we all like. Though industrious and persevering with her lessons she always had a smile for everyone.

VANCE FERGUSON

"Shorty" might very well be given Vance as a nickname. We know him to possess many admirable traits and to have quietly and studiously pursued his way through high school.

MABEL FINDLAY

Endowed with more than her share of good looks and a disposition to match, Mabel is the "observed of all observers." Mabel has the appearance of a gay butterfly. She is a charming amateur actress as her portrayal of Mrs. Major Pelican in "Confound It," given at the Frolic, was a good illustration.





LOUISE FIVEY

The general idea that students never recite any more than they have to must be corrected when we speak of Louise. She is one girl who actually liked to recite, and would recite until told to stop. The teachers would rejoice, we feel certain, if others were only more like Louise.

BLANCHE GLOCKHOFF

If ever anyone has gone through high school without studying, Blanche has. How she has done it, we don't know. Blanche's motto seemed to have been "when love and duty clash, let duty go to smash." Yet with all her love of a good time, and her fondness for the boys, Blanche is graduating with her class and we are glad to have her.

EDNA GOLDMAN

If giggling matches were in style, Edna Goldman would without doubt win them all. She has certainly giggled herself through high school. Edna has proven a friend to more than one discouraged student, her risibility being irresistible.

OTTO GOTTLIEB

Otto is quite a humorist and bids fair to beat Mr. Sinnett's time in a few years. At present he is quite content to get his studies thoroughly and expend his wit and satire only occasionally. Otto's part of "Laziness" on Class Day was no reflection on his character.

MARJORIE GRAHAM

For originality, Marjory "beats them all." The poems and stories that she has written have been enjoyed by many readers. Several have appeared from time to time in the Watch Tower. We agree with a Sophomore, who once said when looking at Marjory, "Who ever would believe that such a quiet, shy, little girl could write such lovely stories?"

MARY GRAVES

"Laugh and the world laughs with you. Cry and you cry alone." Mary laughs with the world. She even extends her laughs beyond the school to "the office," where she sent samples of all her cooking throughout the year. Mary never took Latin, but she thinks some of its words are quite lovable, such as "rex" and ———. Mary is an excellent mathematician, and to her was given the task of collecting the money for the class rings. She was President of the Hart Literary Society, over which she presided very capably; and took the part of "Courage" on Class Day.

BEN GREENBLATT

Ben is a mighty fine student. He came to high school to learn and by thorough diligence in his studies and by making the most of his time, Ben has accomplished his desire.

FAE HANNA

One of the most popular as well as efficient members of the Class of '15 is Fae Hanna, Editor-in-chief of the Watch Tower and Secretary of the Senior Class. Fae also had the farewell address on the Class Day. Her natural talents, wide experience and inexhaustible store of energy fitted her preeminently for these positions.

LILLIAN HANSON

There are some people that just naturally whisper, not from any desire to annoy their teachers or the people around them but just because they can't help it. Now, quiet and shy as Lillian's big brown eyes are, there is no getting around the fact that she is one of those that loved to whisper during school hours.

ELSIE HARDER

Very few people are always good natured, but the class of '15 has one of those persons in Elsie Harder. No one has ever seen her out of patience; consequently, her friends are many.

ARTHUR HINKLEY

Hinkley is one of our star athletes, being captain and backfield man on the football team last fall, and also a valuable member of the basketball squad.

ANNIE HOFFMAN

The cutest little girl in her class! That is Annie Hoffman. Small though she is, it is true that "precious bundles are done up in small packages" for Annie has an intellect that invariably produced all A's on her report cards. Annie was given the Class History for Class Day in recognition of her worth.

MARGARET HOLDORF

Margaret has shown great ability with the typewriter, being chosen by Mr. Hill to aid him in his private work. Business woman, though she is, she has an innate horror of a "shiny nose."

JOHN HOMBLEDAHL

John is one of our shining lights. If you don't believe it take a look at his hair. It has been suggested that he work in a lighthouse. Nevertheless, John is a good fellow and we all like him.

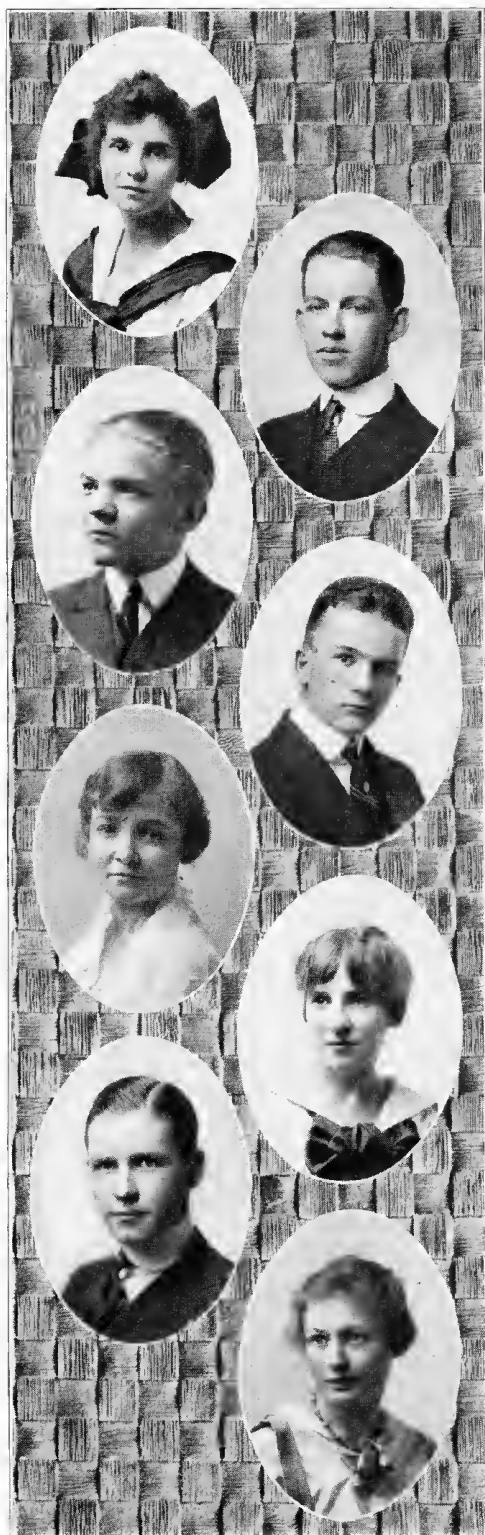
FLOSSIE HULL

Flossie, one of our Milan girls, is a very talented young lady. Her charming vocal solos have frequently given pleasure to high school audiences of which her pretty singing on class day was an example. Besides, Flossie is an excellent cook and very neat needlewoman.

DEAN INGALLS

In his four years at school Dean has pursued various interests winning many friends. He excels as a track man, and only an unfortunate accident in which he was severely injured kept him from entering the field until late in the season this year.





NEVA JENKS

A great lover of all athletics, always ready for a good time, pretty and attractive, is it any wonder that Neva possesses a great host of friends? We wouldn't accuse her of misirliness, but yet we must confess that she frequently exhibits a fondness for money, especially "Nichols." Neva or "Dimps" expects to return to R. I. H. S. next year for a post graduate course. Why? We can't imagine.

ELMER JOHNSON

Did anyone ever see Elmer when he wasn't happy and isn't his smile contagious? One with a grouch is no friend of "Gigs". Elmer is a member of the band, playing the cornet. He is also a good and faithful student and in all ways a mighty fine fellow.

EMIL JOHNSON

Since Emil's Sophomore year, he has been so constantly engaged in other work that we heard very little from him. Nevertheless, we know him to be a good, steady student and an industrious, agreeable fellow.

LESLIE JOHNSON

Mark Twain or Harry Lander never had anything on Les. As a comedian he beyond doubt excels all others. His excellent work in the class play is good evidence of this. His business ability and tireless energy, as advertising manager of the Frolic enabled us to make the Frolic bigger and better than ever. Johnson is also a good athlete. It will be remembered that he won his letter in football and that he played forward on the Senior Class basketball team.

PANSY JONES

"What's in a name" In this case there is everything in the world. Pansy's name, implying all that is dainty, sweet, and pretty, is an exact representation of the real Pansy. Pansy has also been an excellent student, being chosen to deliver the Prologue to a short play on Class Day, thus adding one more name to '15's list of brilliant girls.

HELEN KALE

An inveterate lover of sociability has made Helen the possessor of more seats during her high school career than probably any other girl in the Senior class. But with all her love of a good time, Helen could be serious and studious, and, occasionally when deeply displeased, extremely fiery.

RAY KELL

8:30 P. M. is Ray's motto. Congratulations, old man. Ray is a good student although his first period is usually devoted to the charming niece of one of our faculty.

JESSIE KENNEDY

Jessie is one of our girls whose attention is not wholly held by her class. We would not call her distraction disloyalty, but rather a kindly interest in the work of the apprentices. At heart, we are sure she is a fifteener.

HUGO LARSON

Hugo is quite a musician. For four years he has been a faithful and valuable member of the orchestra and is now its president. He is also a member of the band. Besides this, Hugo is a very good student and stands well in his studies. Present indications are that Hugo will be a barber for he is certainly fond of artistic hair cuts.

ULYSSES LATNER

Ulysses Latner was known mostly in high school for his quiet, orderly, and studious habits, the results of which made themselves apparent in his classes. Especially did he excel in scientific or mathematical lines.

RALPH LEMON

The class has had no more enthusiastic worker than Ralph Lemon. During the four years of his high school life we found him always willing to help and work. Although never specializing in that line, Ralph is somewhat of a public speaker and orator.

EDNA LUNDBERG

Being Mary Graves' best friend it is useless to say that Edna's is a happy-go-lucky disposition. A girl who braved a teacher's wrath by writing "April Fool" on a test which was given April 1, is one we wouldn't consider very interested in her lessons. Yet Edna's lessons always showed careful preparation.

ETHEL LUNDSTROM

Ethel is a pretty blonde. We have learned by the merest coincidence that her tastes are very particular. She has cruelly chosen to lavish her charms on several youths who, we are sorry to say, are not members of the class of '15.

HALFA MASON

When one looks at Halpha, the first thing he sees is her laughing brown eyes. Halpha's whole disposition is reflected in her eyes. Although not infatuated with her books, she has managed to acquire herself very creditably.

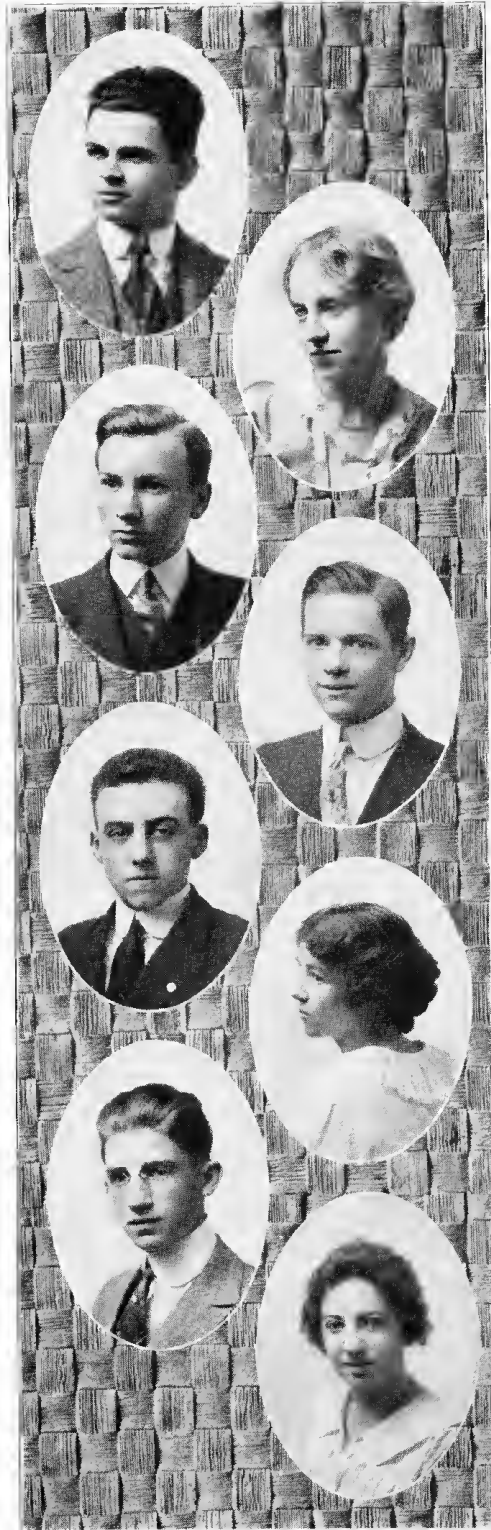
HORACE MASON

Besides being a great ladies' man, a good student and a fine fellow, "Doc" has one thing which has made him famous. No it is not his pompadour, but those *shirts* he wears. He certainly takes the "original shirt prize."

VERA MCBURNEY

Probably the neatest girl in the class is Vera McBurney. The same care which she has shown in her appearance has been manifest in her many brilliant recitations. Vera, also, looked beyond her class for a youth to her liking.





JOE MCGINNIS

As Mr. James Langdon of our class play, Joe certainly deserves much credit for the successful way in which he portrayed the part of a peppery old gentleman. As Business Manager of the same and as vice-president of the class, shortstop on the Senior baseball team, forward on the class basketball team, and sprinter on the track team, Joe has endeavored to keep himself busy and certainly has succeeded.

MAY MCMEEKIN

Very few entertainments have been given at the high school that May has not attended. Her interest in school affairs has always been of the greatest and we can truthfully say that May is one girl with the right understanding of the expression, "school spirit."

BERT METCALF

Few boys have accomplished as much in high school as Bert. Going at a thing with all his strength, he proved to be R. I. H. S's star debater, and orator as well, representing us in the Big Eight Debating and Oratorical Contests. As President of his class and Assistant Business Manager of the Watch Tower, he again displayed untiring ability. But Bert does love to argue. His insatiable thirst for this form of discourse frequently threw his teachers into despair and made his classes rejoice. Besides, he is quite an expert in that desirable trait of making friends.

FRANK MILLER

As his nickname indicates Frank is inclined to be rather optimistic on most occasions. Perhaps this accounts for his ability as a track man. At any rate, as a cross country and a mile runner "Happy" is decidedly the best we have. He is our track captain and has certainly turned out a good team. Frank displayed his ability in another line when he took the part of "Luck" in the Class Day play. Those who know "Happy" and who can claim his friendship can truthfully declare that a finer fellow than Frank Miller would be hard to find.

WILL MYERS

Will Myers is another of our immigrants, as he hails from Coal Valley. We know Will to have a very obliging knife; to be rather bashful and reserved; and to be a faithful and industrious student and a fine fellow.

JUNE NELSON

Champion girl runner and basketball guard in the school, extraordinarily smart in her lessons, highly sensitive to the smallest affront, and charmingly coquettish is the unusual combination belonging to June Nelson. Her high school career has been a success and she has been popular with the boys and girls.

MARSHALL NEWTON

We have with us one who is possessed of — — — or is it something he does not possess. Whichever it is, Marshall surely enjoys himself. However, he is a good student and a fine fellow, and in several instances has very capably served his class.

EMMA NICE

Emma attended the Milan High School during her first two years and so did not join our class until her Junior year. Yet in the time she has been with us she has managed to show us that "a sunny disposition at all times" is not an impossible acquirement.

PARK OAK

"Behold the monarch of the woods" is Park's favourite song. Besides his good class work, Park has been a faithful supporter of literary work. For two years as a member and officer of the Cleverman Debating Society he served in many capacities with much ability and, what is more, with the spirit of giving his very best.

MARGUERITE OHLWEILER

Marguerite, though unobtrusive, is yet an energetic worker when workers are wanted and a willing sharer of any good time in sight. A few more such girls as Marguerite would make this world a happier place in which to live.

MILLIE PIERCE

As Dorothy Langdon, in the Class Play, Millie was certainly a charming young lady. The part was well adapted to Millie as she is by nature a frivolous maiden and has several times engaged in pleasant little flirtations about school. Yet Millie can be serious as her card of A's plainly shows.

ROSE PLOG

Rose has cheeks and a disposition which matches her name. She is always ready for a good laugh and her cheery ways make her a welcome person wherever she goes.

BEN POTTER

One of the finest although quietest fellows in high school is Ben Potter. His studious qualities, his congenial nature, his ever-ready willingness to help makes him very popular both among the faculty and among the students. As evidence of their regard for him he was overwhelmingly elected Treasurer of the Associated Student Body.

FRANCIS RALSTON

Francis is my friend, he is your friend, in fact he is everyone's friend, and in turn he enjoys everyone's friendship. This art of securing friends has been his big achievement as he has quietly and studiously gone his way through the high school course.

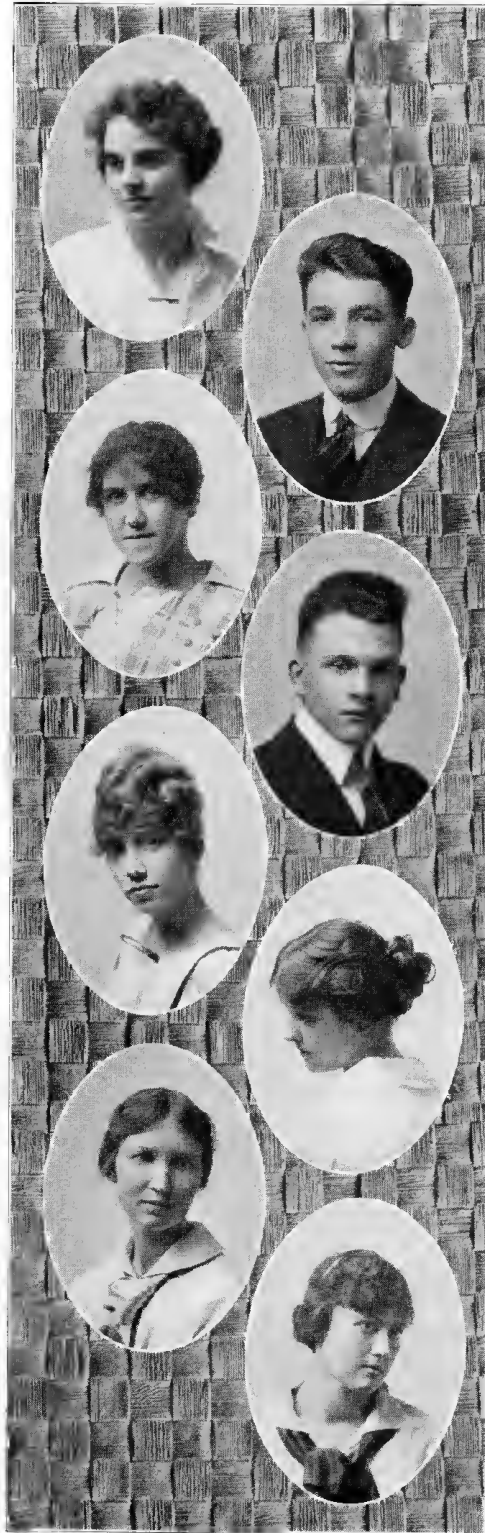
PHYLLIS REXDALE

Upon looking at Phyllis, one receives the impression that she is dreamy and quiet. Upon knowing her one is impressed by her pleasant liveliness. She is Millie's best friend and so must necessarily be a lover of fun.

VERA REYNOLDS

Vera is one of those girls who is determined to have a good time wherever she goes. She is the object of much masculine adoration despite her haughty attitude, which we are sure is unconscious.





STAR RIFE

Star is a mischievous young lady. Her bewitching brown eyes and mass of brown hair (it is all her own too) have played havoc with many a poor youth's heart. She has even succeeded in winning for the class of '15 the admiration and loyalty of one of our bitterest enemies, a prominent youth of '16.

BLISS RINCK

Bliss is quite an athlete. As a member of the varsity football aggregation he did very good work, and as guard on the basketball team his services won for R. I. many a doubtful game. That Bliss is popular through the entire school was demonstrated by the students when they elected him as President of the Associated Students. Bliss was stage manager for our class play and did much to make it a big success.

EVA ROBB

Speaking of energy, we immediately think of Eva Robb. She has been attending both Augustana College, and the high school during the last half of her senior year. Such unprecedented ambition is an honor to any class.

MARION ROBBINS

Another of our shining lights, both as to hair and brains, is Marion Robbins. Robbins is a good electrician and his services in this line proved valuable to his class several times, especially while preparing the stage for the class play. Further, he was "Toi" in the Class Day play.

RUTH RUCE

Ruth's air of delightful languor is not put on, but charmingly natural. No one ever saw Ruth in a hurry and yet she is a girl who enjoys a good time if it isn't too strenuous. Her way of taking life, evincing little interest in the usual ordinaries except be it in vanity, is quite non-american and novel.

DOROTHY SCHOESSEL

Those who have felt the influence of Dorothy's enticing black eyes are too many to count. Even California emigrants have fallen victims. Dorothy believes in expressing her true opinion on all occasions and it is her frankness that makes people like her. She will also be remembered by her class mates as one of '15's star basketball players.

VIVIAN SCHROEDER

Vivian is indeed to be congratulated upon graduating with her class. Losing two months of school at a critical time of the year, on account of a severe attack of typhoid fever, Vivian returned to school with the pluck and determination to graduate with her class and the fact that she succeeded in her desire shows her mettle.

JULIA SEEFELDT

Julia is a girl with a strong personality. The great influence which she exerts over the actions of her chum Lillian Hanson is good evidence that she is a person of winning qualities.

MILDRED SCHIEBERL

For knowledge concerning the latest styles, it is unnecessary to peruse a fashion book. Just consult Mildred. She is in truth a walking fashion plate. Mildred, we believe, has owned more pretty new dresses during her high school career than any other girl in her class.

EVA SLOCUM

Generosity is one of Eva's traits. Those who took their dinners at the high school cafeteria were always glad to see Eva, for hungry folks like to meet generous natures, especially when they are the ones who are dishing out eatables. Eva is never very serious, but yet she knows when and where to say the right thing.

BESSIE SOSNA

Bessie is a vivacious maiden with snapping brown eyes. She completed her high school course at the mid year, dropping her school work at that time. She has now returned to graduate with her class, which shows that she is truly one of us.

MARGARET TERRY

Margaret is a girl who has gone her way very quietly, while in high school, devoting her time to the pursuit of her lessons. Such steadiness of purpose as she has displayed is bound to win out and we are sure that Margaret is graduating with the satisfied feeling of having done her best.

ELLEN THOMPSON

Behind that quiet exterior is a spirit bubbling over with wit and genius. Ellen loves moods. She enjoys nothing better than to watch their effect upon others. Frequently she has kept her intimate friends royally entertained by her droll sayings. Ellen is the unusual example of a girl who could get A's with practically no exertion. How we envied her!

DOROTHY VERNON

Dorothy Vernon is without doubt "the sweetest girl in the Senior Class." Dorothy joined the class of '15 in her Sophomore year proving a welcome addition in more than one respect, for Dorothy is a Harpist. She has several times kindly favored the school with her playing. Dorothy's greatest worry is that people think her expression angelic and Dorothy says "that is not true." Yet her portrayal of "Elaine" in the Frolic leads many of us to doubt her.

LEO WAGNER

Wagner was one of our star linemen on the football team last fall and also held the backstop position on the Senior baseball team. His work in the glee club will be remembered and justly too. "Dutch" is also Treasurer of the Senior class.

MARY WALTERS

Mary joined our class only this year but her sojourn among us has been long enough to win for her great popularity with the Juniors as well as the Seniors. Mary is the envied possessor of a multitude of brown curls by means of which she has introduced into R. I. H. S. many queer and attractive styles of hair dressing.





HAZEL WILLIS

Who will ever forget Hazel Willis, the Mrs. Bob Grey of the Class Play? Her success in that role was equaled only by her brilliancy in recitations, and her ability to make and keep friends. Indeed, several members of the cast were deeply affected by this last trait. "Bob", as Hazel says, "was an ideal brother." We agree that few brothers ever display such unusual devotion to their sisters.

LOUIS WINDSOR

Louis has quietly and studiously gone his way through high school. Although having a half year more than the rest of us, he decided to wait and go out with a good class.

ISRAEL ZEFFEREN

Not specializing in any line, but going his way studiously and quietly, Israel has won for himself the respect of both teachers and pupils.

LILLIAN ZURLINDEN

If ever any one takes life too seriously, that person is Lillian Zurlinden. She has been a most conscientious student, giving her whole thought to the preparation of her lessons and the results have been well worth while.

SIDNEY WIGGINS

can hardly be called a member of the class of '15. After taking the two years' course in the high school at Milan, where he lives, he entered our school in the junior year with the class of '14, but finding himself considerably handicapped in some of his studies by reason of inadequate preparation, he was unable to graduate with that class. All of his work, however, was made up by December of last year and he is now pursuing his studies in Northwestern University.

JAMES BRUNER

Jim is one of the best basketball men the senior class has ever had, as his excellent work on the class basketball team showed. Besides this, Jim is a good student and has many friends in the class and school.

Commencement Week Calendar

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 8 P. M.

Baccalaureate Sermon.....*Rev. David Johnson*
Central Presbyterian Church

MONDAY, MAY 31, 8 P. M.

Junior Reception to Seniors.....Steamer Party

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2 P. M.

Class Day Exercises.....High School Auditorium

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 8 P. M.

Commencement Exercises Illinois Theatre

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 8 P. M.

Alumni MeetingHigh School Auditorium

Class Day Program

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, JUNE 2, 2 P. M.

PIANO SOLO—"Valse Caprice"*Newland*
EDNA LUNDBERG

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.....RAYMOND BURTON

CLASS HISTORYANNIE HOFFMAN

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS.....MARSHALL NEWTON

VOCAL SOLO, (a) "The Woodland Song"—*Bath*; (b) "I'm
Longin' for You"—*Hathaway*.....FLOSSIE HULL

CLASS PROPHECYMARIAN ATKINSON

PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO SCHOOL....ULYSSES LATTNER

PLAY: "Everystudent"

Prologue—PANSY JONES

Everystudent—CELESTE COMEGYS	Luck—FRANK MILLER
Ambition—INGEGERD ANDERSON	Laziness—OTTO GOTTLIEB
Diligence—ELIZABETH BRYAN	Failure—CLARENCE BRASHAR
Courage—MARY GRAVES	Toil—MARION ROBBINS

Success—ROSS CLINE

FAREWELL ADDRESSFAE HANNA

TRIO *Selected*

DOROTHY SCHOESSEL, violin HUGO LARSON, flute

DOROTHY VERNON, harp

Commencement Program

OF THE

ROCK ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 1915, 8 P. M.

MUSIC

INVOCATION

MUSIC

ADDRESS, "The Challenge of the American Spirit".....

.....Dr. E. A. STEINER, Grinnell College

MUSIC

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Address of Welcome

Raymond Burton

Dear Friends, Teachers, and Fellow-students:—



T last this long looked for day has arrived. We members of the class of 1915, have awaited with keen anxiety, the time when, before such an audience as this, we could summarize our history, present our gift to the school, and then, though with great regret, say farewell.

Dear friends and relatives, it is indeed very fitting to have you with us at this important time. You are the representatives of that citizen body which stands for all that is best in the educational development of our community, for the training of the youth into strong manhood and womanhood. Surely our growth and advancement here has been of interest to you. So this afternoon we extend to you a hearty welcome and trust that you will never lose the habit of visiting the high school.

Only four years ago the members of our class entered this school. Since then, Mr. Burton and teachers, you have endeavored to instill in us some of those ideals which are so necessary to our future welfare. You have labored hard and earnestly with us, have been ever kind and patient. Not only have you striven to put us *through* school, but you endeavored to make us *thorough*. That principle of inserting the letter "o" in the word *through* and making it *thorough* has been strongly impressed upon our minds and will serve us well in the future. We appreciate what has been done for us and are indeed glad to have you with us now.

And lastly, fellow-students, our audience would certainly not be complete without your happy faces. During the last school year you have gladly shown us due recognition as seniors, but that pleasure will soon be one of the past for us and each of you will enjoy it in your turn. Likewise, in the coming years each of you will have your class-day exercises, so this afternoon we must put forth the best that we possess, in order not to lower the grade of the past and to establish a high standard toward which you may strive.

Our active relations with this school will soon be at an end. Some of us will go to higher institutions of learning to continue our education. Others are soon to meet the world face to face and prove their ability to serve their fellowman. Yet, wherever we go, we shall uphold the dignity of this school and endeavor to build up and strengthen those qualities which the teachers here have developed in us. The happy hours spent here shall never fade from our memories and their value shall always increase.

So, in behalf of the class of 1915, I again extend to you all a hearty, sincere welcome to our class day exercises, which we hope will prove a fitting climax to our high school life.

Class Prophecy

Marion Atkinson

AS I parted the heavy oriental curtains and stepped into the apartments of Rojeska, seeress of renowned fame, I was thrilled by a pleasant feeling of foreboding. The room was luxurious in its Egyptian furnishings and the air was languorous with incense which smoked in cloudy rings from a quaint Egyptian pot. A small monkey, crouched upon a low divan, blinked knowingly as, gazing about me, I waited for Rojeska to fill our appointment. Suddenly, without having heard a sound, I beheld the seeress standing before me. I will not attempt to describe this woman whose appearance was at once so youthful and so old. Be it enough to say that her face, though young and beautiful, contained all the world-old wisdom and mystery of the Sphinx. I spoke, "Madame, I have come to learn if possible the fates of the members of that illustrious class of 1915. Can you tell me aught of them?" Without a word she seated herself on a divan and motioned me to one opposite. In the silence a gong sounded in the distance and a moment later there appeared an Egyptian servant bearing a huge crystal ball which he set up between us. She sat gazing steadfastly into the crystal, then suddenly glancing up she passed her hand over my eyes and pointing to the globe bade me look. The crystal so clear a moment before became clouded with dusky blue and rose shadows which fading out left a clear picture.

On a sandy edge of an Abyssinian desert I see a large tent under which kneel many dusky figures. Plainly it is a religious meeting and it pleases me to see that the missionary preacher on whom all eyes are earnestly turned is our class president, Bert Metcalf.

I see Fae Hanna has at last realized her ambition and now has charge of the English Department in a large Eastern High School.

The crystal takes on a new aspect. I see a crowded theater in Paris. A woman is singing to the accompaniment of a harp and piano. The singer is Flossie Hull, the harpist, Dorothy Vernon, the pianist, Ruth Ruge.

A prosperous newspaper appears. It is the "New York Live Wire" owned and published by Will Culley. The front page is devoted almost entirely to the greatest sensation of the day — Park Oak's remarkable flight by aeroplane to Mars, with rumors of a civilization which he hopes to establish there. I will never again doubt that "Great Oaks from little acorns grow." The pages turn. A column headed, "Lemon Aid to Lovers" edited by Ralph Lemon attracts my eye while a matrimonial bureau conducted by Millie Pierce and Phyllis Rexdale seems to be doing an enormous business, finding husbands for others. Among the society announcements I noticed that James Bruner with his dancing partner Celeste Comegys, successors to the Vernon Castles, would dance that evening at the mansion of Senator Ross Cline, who, by the way, is still interested in "Ducks." There also do I read that Dorothy, whom we knew as Schoessel, has become famous for her social functions. Among the advertisements I find the name Ray Kell "Designer of Men's Togs" and Marion Robbins, proprietor of "The Beauty Shop — Hair Waving a Specialty."

The paper fades in the crystal and in its place appears a motion picture screen from which smiles the fair face of Mabel Findlay whom enthusiastic fans proclaim

the "Queen of the Movies." An advertisement is thrown upon the screen and I read: "Coming — Hazel Willis — In — The Time of His Life. Highest salaried motion picture actress! Don't fail to see her!"

A rambling vine-covered building surrounded by many trees appears. At the entrance to the grounds I read this inscription, "Misses Lucy Clarke and Marjorie Graham — Select school for Young Ladies."

The next scene is Broadway late on a snowy afternoon. Pretty girls wait about the entrance of a popular theater to catch a glimpse of the matinee idol of the day. In a moment he comes and behold Robert Cline, who though a bachelor still appreciates the attentions of the gentler sex.

In a cosy bungalow in Milan, Neva Jenks is kept busy guarding her "Nichols". Horace Mason is the president of a moving picture syndicate.

Nearby schools in a flourishing western city I see presided over by Jeanette Doyle and Helen Dodson.

The first un-married president that this nation has ever known is Raymond Burton, who in his greater interests has quite neglected the affairs of the heart.

In the President's cabinet Ben Potter holds a position as Secretary of State.

In the far west I see adjoining homesteads have been taken by Julia Seefeldt and Lillian Hanson.

Leo Wagner draws an immense salary as president of the National Jitney-Bus Association.

In the Governor's mansion at Springfield, Margaret Anderson wins laurels for herself and husband as first lady of the state.

Louis Drips has joined the police force of Keystone Comedy fame.

Then I beheld the steps to the capital building at Washington. A band of suffragettes are clamoring for admission to secure the passing of a bill whereby a woman might be elected president. The leader seems to be Vivian Schroeder, while Eva Robb, Rose Plog and Lillian Zurlinden are able assistants.

Greatly admired by the ladies is Harry Clarke, now a life-saver at the famous beach at Campbell's Island.

Mary Graves has become the wife of a king — The Latin word for king is "Rex".

Dean Ingals is in vaudeville where he is welcomed as a society entertainer. In his portly partner in the act I recognize Joseph McGinnis.

Emma Dingeldein as wife of the world's greatest tenor has just returned to America after a successful tour of Europe.

Elmer Johnson has started a Boy Scout movement on the Fiji Islands.

Within a cottage built for two, I see Elizabeth Bryan deep in the mysteries of a beloved cook book where her interests are always "Les". Rev. Leslie Clifford Johnson, D. D. now a most dignified minister is nearby, as usual.

Emma Nice and Irene Doll are engaged in hospital work and more competent nurses could not be found.

Melvin Anderson, general contractor, designs and erects fashionable residences.

Genevieve Carlson is a teacher of elocution at a girls' college in Boston and June Nelson holds a chair in Augustana College.

The "Darlingest Band" under the direction of its organizer, Philip Darling, is now numbered one of world fame.

Louise Fivey is a kindergarten teacher much beloved by her young pupils.

Deep into the crystals I gazed. I see Ellen Thompson, married to a Spanish officer of high rank, as mistress of a castle perched high upon a rocky Spanish coast.

Head of the U. S. secret service is William, now known as Pussy-foot Myers.

Edna Goldman and Bessie Sosna have established a curio shop in Rock Island, which is one of the most interesting and up-to-date of its kind.

Alice Doyle is postmistress in a western village.

Leo Doering, a dancing master traveling from one town to another, is trying to bring about a revival of the old-fashioned cake-walk.

A quick change of scenes shows prosperous homes about Rock Island. Within these homes are Annie Hoffman, Mae McMeekin, Marguerite Ohlweiler and Jessie Kennedy, all having succumbed to Cupid's darts.

Emil Johnson has a position in Rock Island High School as a teacher of Stenography and Vera Reynolds is in charge of the Typewriting classes.

Foremost among women in California do I behold Margaret Holdorf, mayor of San Francisco.

The next picture is on board the largest battle-ship flying the United States flag. Here I find Bliss Rinck in command and Hugo Larson as bngler.

Ethel Lundstrom, Mildred Schieberl and Helen Kale are fashionable modistes in Chicago.

The firm "Gotlieb & Greenblatt" are well known throughout Rock Island as fine clothiers.

Elsie Harder carries on a bakery business, which flourishes under the slogan "Eat Harder Bread".

Blanche Glockhoff and Vera McBurney are partners in a confectionery store.

Francis Ralston is a famous criminal lawyer.

Then a prosperous looking farm appears not far from Erie, Illinois, where lives Eva Slocum, happily married these many years. Living with her is Avis Ely quite contented in her country school work.

Clarence Brasher is one of the great inventors of the day having patented several labor-saving farm implements.

Ingegerd Anderson and Daisy Faust are world-renowned having founded an institution similar to Hull House.

I see Lonis Windsor as the conductor of the famous Jubilee singers, where Margaret Terry is the leading soprano.

As a worthy successor to Booker T. Washington at Tuskegee do I find Ulysses Clark.

Sol Bntler is the world's champion athlete while Ben, a faithful satellite, lovingly revolves about his star.

John Homble Dahl is a scientific farmer and the proud possessor of the finest farm in the land.

Ambitious parents send their children to Edna Lundberg who has a music studio in Davenport.

Ulysses Lattner in the west has gained the reputation of "Champion Broncho-buster."

Star Rife has not proved as inaccessible as her name might indicate, for she now sheds her light within a happy home.

I see Violet Corston personally conducting parties through Italy, and in the west, as principal of a school, do I find Bessie Eggert.

Great was my surprise to see that Mary Walters, after years of indecision, has finally chosen a cottage for two.

Vance Ferguson much to my surprise has taken to "cutting-up", and is now a prominent surgeon.

I see that the Harvard Football Team has again won the championship due largely to the efforts of the popular Coach, Ray Criswell.

Pansy Jones is the authoress of a spicy book entitled, "Kloves".

The two "Happy's" Frank Miller and Halfa Mason as doctor and nurse are engaged in active relief work in Mexico.

Within the crystal I see the icy fields of the Klondike region where Israel Zeffren is foreman of a mining camp.

The last picture fades slowly into shadows of rose and blue. The spell seems broken and inquiringly I lift my eyes to the face of Rojeska. She smiles knowingly saying, "Look, there is yet another." Curiously I gaze into the crystal depths. A tropical island takes form. On a hot and sandy stretch of beach are gathered many dusky natives bowing before their king. In this honorable personage I recognize the face of a ship-wrecked sailor, Marshall Newton, now living a peaceful if uneventful life.

The figure before me vanishes as mysteriously as it had appeared and I find myself once more alone, still under the spell of the wonderful vision, which had been mine.

Class History

Auntie Hoffman



AS I came to school this morning, filled with thoughts of how near the end my High School career was, and how soon we would all be separated from each other, never to meet again or perhaps only for short reunions, I glanced from one side to the other and happened to spy a flower. It attracted me strangely, and as I came nearer I saw it was a poppy, our class flower, the flower of dear old Fifteen. I plucked it and went slowly along, holding it in my hand. As I looked at it, wondering what it all meant, my thoughts began to wander.

Suddenly the flower appeared to grow larger. Was I dreaming or was it all real? I looked at it more closely and noticed that one of the petals had fallen from the stem and lay in my hand. There were some queer marks on it, but they were very dim. As I looked, the marks grew distinguishable, and eagerly I read. It took me back four years, when the Class of 1915 first entered high school.

"They were not to be left behind the rest of the classes. With Miss Rush's guidance they organized and elected John Potter as president and leader of the class. They were successful in Athletics, taking first place in the Boy's Basketball Tournament. They also took places in the big gymnasium meet held that year.

The first great frolic was held during this year, in which the Freshmen took a great part and helped to make a success."

The petal had withered as it lay on my hand: and as I let it fall I noticed writing on the next petal. I touched it and it fell easily from the stem. There was written on it "The class of 1915. Second year in High School."

"Enraptured with the first year's success, the students again returned for the second year's work. They were famous both in athletics and social affairs. They took second place in the class and track meets and the girls took second place in the tournament. But who could forget that class party? The class of 1915 was the first Sophomore class to have a party. And on the evening of May 8, 1912, the halls of the High School building filled with gay Sophomores. Under the guidance of Dean Ingalls, the class president, everyone was led through the evening with a supply of merriment and good time."

This was all I could make out on the second petal. Being curious, I sought to loosen the third petal, but it did not yield so easily. After a little pulling, it lay in my hand. It also revealed a history, the history of our Junior year.

"They were no less famous in their Junior year. The girls and boys both took second place in the tournament, but it was only after a hard tussel with the Seniors in the last game that they fell to second place. They were also well represented in track work. But the Junior excursion and the class party for the football boys were the hits of the year. Indeed, everybody had a good time at both."

It certainly was good to go back over those years, but my third year's history had come to an end and the petal was withering. I knew now what it all meant so I tried to pull the fourth petal. But it did not want to yield. It seemed as though it could not break away. But nevertheless it had a history also.

"The Senior class, the Class of 1915, had been a victorious and successful class in all their three years and had not let their record die in the fourth year. Were you at the play? If you were not, then you missed a time of your life. With one grand success to begin with, the Seniors started for the track and took first place in the class meet. Could the track team have survived without the aid of the Seniors? I should say not. Neither were they lacking when it came to football. Oh! that Moline and Rock Island game! And it was the Seniors who helped to win the day. What would the debating team have done without Robert Cline to help them? It was also a Senior, their class president, who represented them in the oratorical contest. And Millie Pierce represented them in the Big Eight stenographic contest."

Yes! the Class of 1915 has been a most successful one. I now know what attraction the flower had for me. Each petal had taken me back over one year's history. It was no surprise that the fourth petal refused to break away, for the class certainly does not want to break away from the school.

How I would have liked to have gone into the future, but as I was about to pull the fifth petal, someone grabbed me by the arm and jerking me along exclaimed, "Hurry up, if you want to be present for the class day program. Remember you are to give the class history."

And so I have given it to you as it was given to me.

Farewell

Far Hanaa



ROBIN warbles exultantly as she hovers over the nest from which three yawning little chasms greet her. Another day, and we see her flitting excitedly to and fro, now scolding noisily, and now calling shrill encouragement to the young birds who are for the first time discovering the use of their wings. Still another day, and we again hear our aerial songster caroling to the heavens, but there is something gone from her song, or better — something added. A faint tinge of sadness and a slight faltering distinguishes this note from the joyful spontaneity of that former day. We peek into the nest, and immediately we understand. It is empty!

Ten months ago in a peaceful home on a sunny hillside in Europe, a family lived prosperous and content. In the midst of that quiet and thrift came the relentless call to arms. A short time of confusion and hurry — and then departure. The mother and tiny sister, the one heroically struggling with tears, and the other awed and frightened by the unusual excitement waved goodbyes to the stern father and eager brother marching bravely away in response to their country's call.

Two care free chattering school girls come laughing up the street, swinging their books and rejoicing that spring has arrived. At the corner, they stop, lingering to whisper secrets of school girl importance. Finally, each goes her own way, calling back last words and cheery goodbyes.

Thus it is the world over, ever meetings and partings — association with the same people and surroundings for a while and then the separating of ways.

So it is with the class of '15. For four years we have struggled, blundered, and succeeded. So accustomed have we become to playing and working together that to some of us it seemed almost impossible that the time would ever arrive when we, as a class, would cease to pursue duties and pleasures in common. It is only during the last few weeks that many of us have realized that that time has arrived. It has set us to thinking seriously. Only we ourselves may know what happy times we have had here, how much good we have gained through our intimate and friendly association with one another, and how loath we are to sever our close relationship with our school.

We are reluctant to part from our school not only because we must say good-bye to one another, but because we must leave our Superintendent, our Principal, and our teachers, all of whom have at times despaired of us and have at times been proud of us. It is ever with appreciation and tenderness that we shall recall their earnest and faithful endeavors to teach us a knowledge of high and beautiful ideals, continually holding before us noble standards, that we might be the better fitted to assume our proper places in the world. Their untiring patience has won the gratitude and respect of the Class of '15.

It also saddens us that we shall be unable to continue in company with our fellow classmen, the Juniors, the Sophomores, and the Freshmen, with whom we have engaged in so many pleasant little class rivalries and with whom we have shared so many victories for the glory of dear old R. I. H. S. We wish them good

luck in all that they undertake, and success such as the Class of '15 has enjoyed. And when the Class of '15 is but a memory in this school, we hope that they and those who shall follow them will forget our faults and remember only our virtues, keeping in mind the quotation:—

“Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us,
Footprints on the sands of time.”

As we to-day assemble for the last time in this room, holding so many pleasant memories for us all, we feel a queer, quivering sensation about our hearts and throats, which increases as the minutes pass by. The last moments of our High School days are approaching all too swiftly. We shall go forth from here with lingering regret, yet knowing that our minds are richer, fuller, and broader for having been here, we are eager and anxious to prove our gratitude, to take our places in the world and strive to reach goals worthy of graduates of Rock Island High School. So at last we come to that inevitable word — that word fraught with an eloquence sad and, yet sweet — which imparts both sorrow that we must say goodbye, and a prayer for a happy future for each one whom we are leaving — *farewell*.





THE CAST

Class Play

"The Time of His Life"

CAST

Mr. Bob GreyHorace Mason Mrs. Bob GreyHazel Willis
 Mr. Peter Wycombe (a pessimist with a digestion).....Leslie Johnson
 Mrs. Peter Wycombe (a personage).....Genevieve Carlson
 Tom Carter (Mrs. Grey's brother).....Robert Cline
 Dorothy Landon (secretly engaged to Tom).....Millie Pierce
 Mr. James Landon (Dorothy's father, of a peppery disposition)...Joseph McGinnis
 Uncle Tom (a colored butler from the South).....Leo Doering
 Officer Hogan (of the East 22nd Street Police Station).....Louis Drips



W had the time of *our* lives on April 8th and 9th when we saw "The Time of His Life" presented by the Class of '15.

As Mr. Grey is out west looking after some mining interests, Tom Carter is staying with his sister, Mrs. Grey. She receives a delayed note which states that Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wycombe will be there to dine at six o'clock. The Wycombes are people of importance and Mrs. Grey is seized with consternation at the thought of entertaining them at dinner with the cook and butler gone, and the house in the hands of decorators.

To save the day, Tom decides to masquerade as Uncle Tom and serve a dinner secured from a nearby hotel. And now complications arise. Dorothy Landon arrives with the Wycombes, and surprises Tom. Moreover, the real Uncle Tom returns before dinner is over, but, seeing his double, immediately runs away. Owing to the illness of Mr. Wycombe, the guests remain at the Grey home over night.

As the police are unable to discover Uncle Tom, Tom Carter goes on the hunt himself in the small hours of the morning. But as he leaves, Uncle Tom returns unobserved. Also, Mr. Grey arrives bringing Mr. James Landon with him. Now Mr. Peter Wycombe leaves his slumber to go in search of a lunch, and discovers his old enemy, James Landon, taking a nap alone in the library. Not recognizing him, he believes him to be a burglar and has Uncle Tom fasten him securely to the chair.

But the arrival of Tom Carter in the custody of the valiant Officer Hogan, arouses the entire family and makes explanations necessary. Tom had forgotten his make-up, and was arrested because he answered the description of Uncle Tom. Then Dorothy announces her engagement to Tom, and Tom and Mrs. Grey reveal their plot. Mr. Landon and Mr. Wycombe agree to be friends and everything ends happily.

Millie Pierce was most charming as Dorothy Landon, and Robert Cline admirably filled the role of the irresponsible, fun-loving Tom Carter. Much of the success of the play was due to the pessimistic Mr. Peter Wycombe (Leslie Johnson) with his unfailing remedies for innumerable diseases. The difficult part of the irritable, fiery Mr. James Landon was excellently played by Joseph McGinnis, and Hazel Willis, as Mrs. Bob Grey, won the hearts of the audience. Genevieve Carlson played the part of the haughty, aristocratic Mrs. Wycombe in a very natural manner, and Leo Doering ably interpreted the character of Uncle Tom. Horace Mason, as Mr. Bob Grey, deserves great credit, and the courageous Officer Hogan (Louis Drips) added much to the success of the play.



Class of '16

Juniors



MURIEL AMMERMAN
Asst. Treasurer

WILL McCULLOCH
Treasurer

EDGAR JAMES
President

MARGARET DIBBERN
Vice President

ELIZABETH OLMSTED
Secretary

NAME OF JUNIOR.	REASON FOR COMING TO R. I. H. S.	WHAT SAID JUNIOR WILL DO UPON LEAVING HIGH SCHOOL.
Howard Ramser	None in particular.	?
Marion Roth	To get an education.	Make the school proud of her.
Lewis Saulpaugh	Several pretty girls.	Time will tell.
Bessie Baker	To carry things through.	Become famous.
Albert Tabor	Had none.	It doesn't bother him, so why should we worry?
Francis Rhoads	To make things hum.	Difficult to determine.
Dorothy Bassett	To help Francis.	Who can tell?
Franklin Searle	Everybody did it.	Go to college.
Elizabeth Olmsted	To do something.	Go on doing things.
Alberta Glasco	To break basketball records.	Break hearts.
Mildred Adams	For the fun of the thing.	Continue laughing.
Robert Olmsted	To debate.	He has not yet come to his conclusion about it.
Fae Booth	For a good time.	What most pretty girls do.
Will Gleason	To play football.	Sing in comic opera.
Edward Lamp	No one knows.	Doubtful.
Edgar James	Too numerous to mention.	Something worth while.
Elizabeth Babcock	To study.	Be a college president.
Fae Somers	Because she wanted to.	Hard to say.
Kenneth Vernon	To make himself heard in the band.	Make himself heard in politics.
Charlotte Murray	Write stories.	And "live happily ever after."
Emily Kenworthy	For the social side of it.	Be a college belle.
Vivian Thomas	To enter track.	Be an editor of a sporting paper.
Joel Nichols	A Senior girl.	Make a model husband.
Aline Martin	To "make a name for herself."	Change her name.
Margaret Snitzer	"Oh, just because."	Not decided.
Marguerite Anderson	To keep the boys guessing.	The usual thing.
Jennette Riddell	To play basketball.	" " "
Harry Cleaveland	Athletics.	Be captain of a college crew.
James Hughes	To flirt (?).	Don't worry, he will take care of himself.
Marion McCabe	To help things along.	Write poems.
Mary Butts	Just to be going.	Run a "Jitney Bus."
Burtis Wilson	To bluff.	Be a nerve specialist.
Winifred Abbott	To pass away the time.	Can't you guess?

CLASS OF '17



Sophomores



ROBERT PIERCE
President

JOHN GUSTAFSON
Vice President

MILDRED HUDSON
Secretary

HARRY LYFORD
Treasurer

The days of school were going fast,
As through the High School village passed
A youth who proudly bore on high
A banner which could all defy.

SOPHOMORES.

His brow was smooth; his eyes were clear;
His face was turned from things so dear;
Upward and onward he forged his way
And now and then he paused to say,

"SOPHOMORES."

"Oh stay," the flunkers cried, "Oh stay!"
And rest your weary brain "till day."
The Sophomore flashed a scornful look
And proudly on high his banner shook.

SOPHOMORES.

He saw the Seniors near the goal,
He saw the Juniors try to rule,
He saw the Freshmen enjoy their time in
fun,
And said, "Will this journey e'er be done?"

SOPHOMORES.

He heard the Senior's warning voice,
"Hard tasks await you, there is no choice,"
And hearing this he went more swiftly on
Lifting his banner to the sun.

SOPHOMORES.

Try not to pass! the Juniors said,
Dark looms the trials for you ahead,
The Junior year is hard and long,
But the voice came back as if in song,

SOPHOMORES.

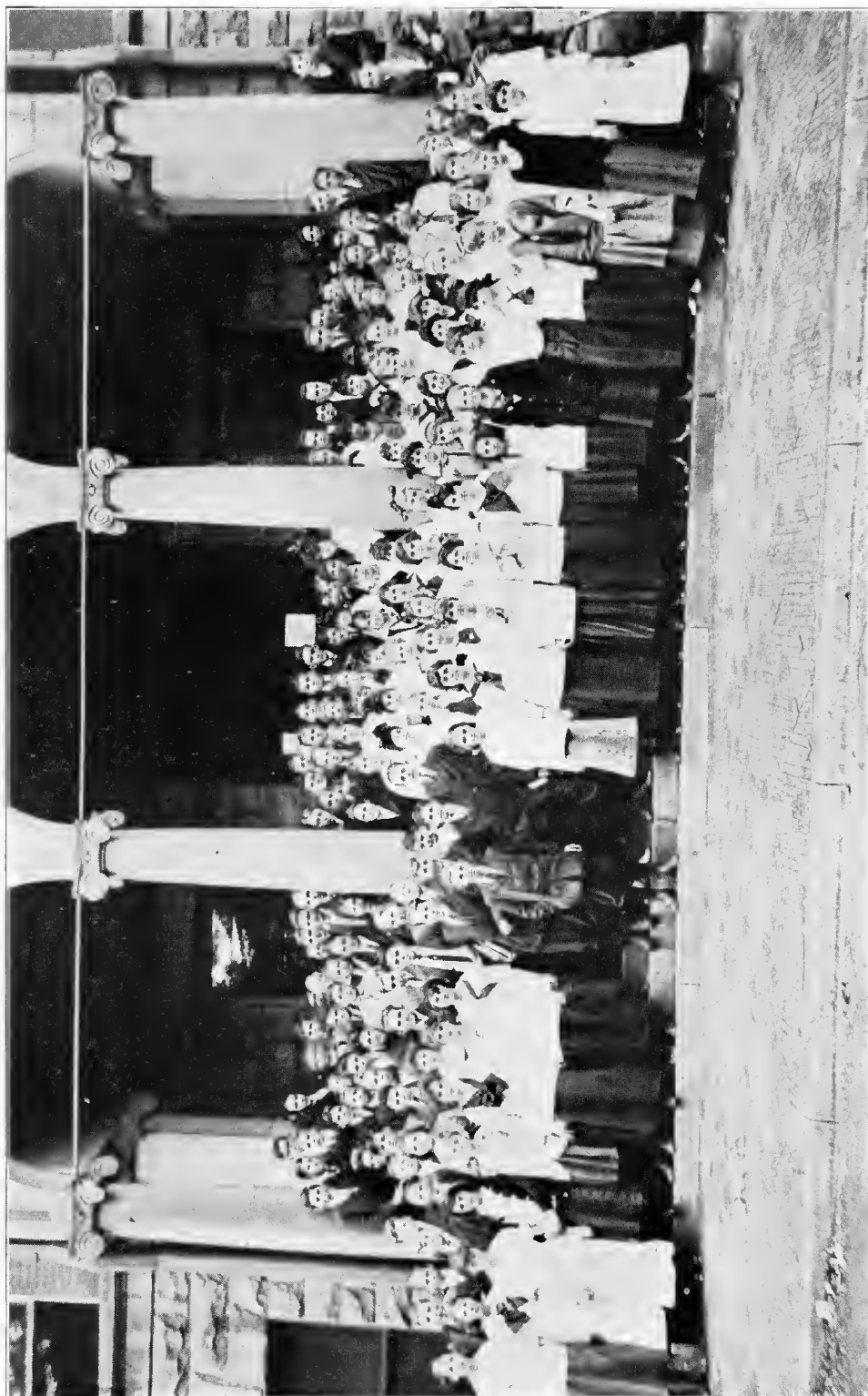
As further and further he went on high,
A vision appeared before his eye.
It told about his commencement day,
But he interrupted it to say,

SOPHOMORES.

The vision stayed, showing him honor and
all

That to his lot would swiftly fall,
If he kept the path he knew was right.
Then faded the vision into the night.

SOPHOMORES.



CLASS OF '18

Freshmen



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Supreme Ruler of All Domain.....PROF. A. J. BURTON
Chief Adviser of All Domain.....MADAME C. L. EASTMAN
Court of Advisers of All Domain.....EXPERIENCED INSTRUCTORS
Immigrants to All Domain from Foreign Countries.....FRESHMEN

Act I—First Half. Act II—Second Half.

ACT I. Opening Chorus—"It's a Long Way to All Domain"—*Immigrants*



HE inhabitants of All Domain await the coming of the strangers who finally arrive in the year 1914, weary from the hardships of the journey, yet inspired with the prospects of a future in the new land.

Bewildered by the strange customs of the people, they wander timidly about for a time until, under the guidance of the Advisers, they find their homes.

Most of the inhabitants of All Domain receive them kindly, with consideration for the trials they encounter, but there are others who make ridiculous their attempts to benefit the country. Several months pass and the strangers become recognized citizens. They are a progressive, lively people, with plenty of spirit and patriotism. Before the arrival of these strangers, in the year 1914, the interest in public affairs, patriotism and so on, had become almost dormant, but the strangers found a new spirit awaiting them, in which they eagerly took part from the first.

Becoming lawful citizens, the newcomers now desire to be recognized as belonging to a district division or organized body.

Accordingly, they assemble and under the guidance of one of the Advisers, they elect officers and choose colors, the latter principally for decorative purposes.

They have not only brains, but talent. Several join in various musical organizations throughout the country. The first act closes with a final chorus,

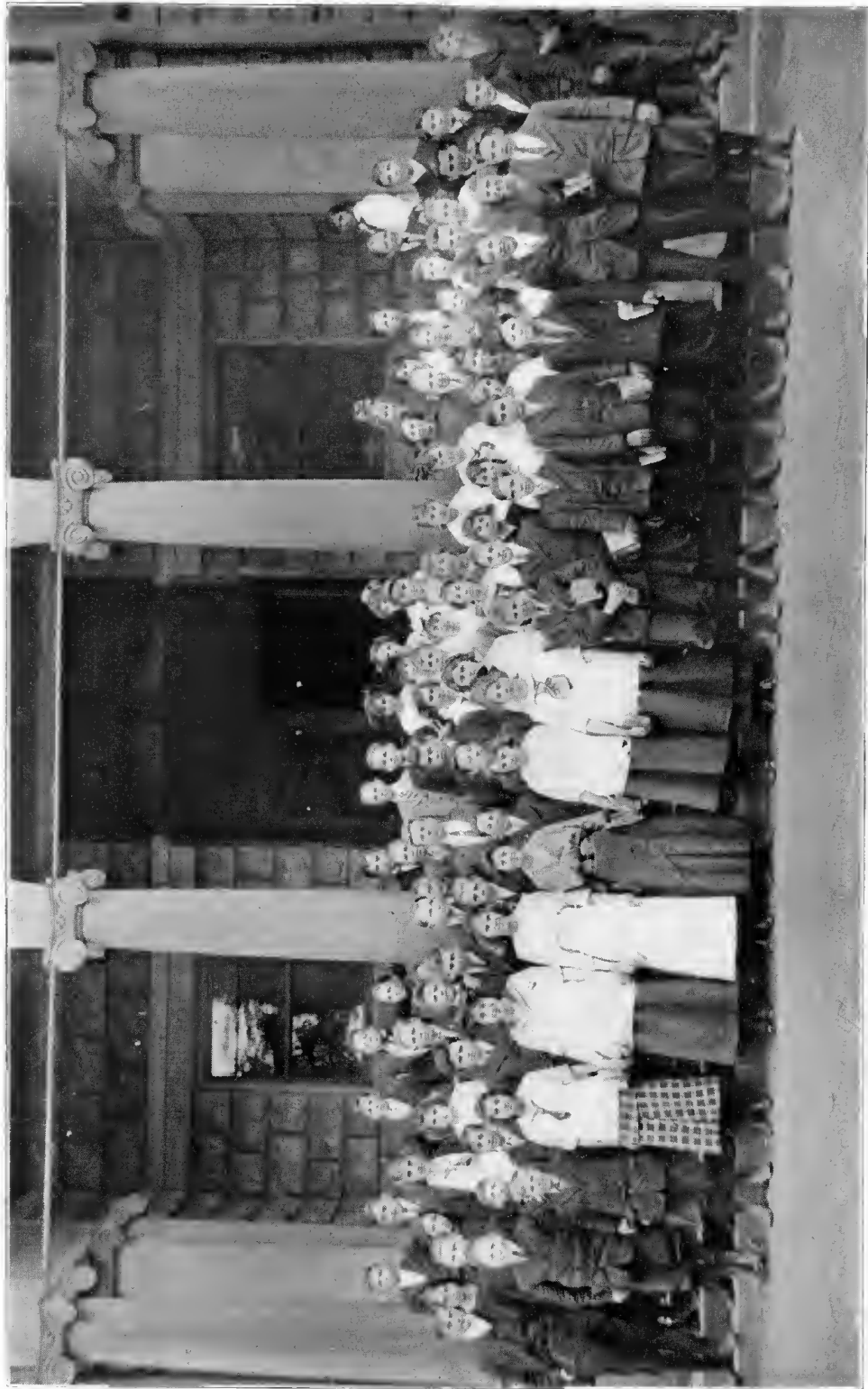
"Everybody in It, So Are We"—*Immigrants*

ACT II. Opening Chorus—"We love to live in All Domain"—*Entire Cast*
EXCITEMENT REIGNS.

Preparations for a grand ball, given by the strangers, of the strangers, and for the strangers, are under way. Perhaps a bit selfish, but nevertheless the custom. The ball room scene is the most brilliant of stage settings, the blue and gold decorations helping greatly. The gowns of the ladies are beautiful, and an account of the ball is printed in a national paper, the WATON TOWER.

The entire country is famous for its athletics and the new citizens take no mean part in this. They had to be content with second place in the basketball tournament for Knights, because they were unable to match the strength and size of the opposing chargers. In a national circus the newcomers contribute greatly toward its success. This scene closes with the final chorus,

"Goodby Everybody, Goodby Everything"—*By the Entire Cast*



MID-YEAR CLASS OF '19

In Memoriam

MARION CLEVELAND'S passing away means the loss of one dear to us; for although two years have passed since she was of our immediate number, the memory of her happy presence remains. In her four years here with us she won the true support and deep affection of the faculty, of her classmates, of all the school, by the sweet charm of her personality and her high ability to think and do. As she went to college we saw her attaining a splendid womanhood; her fineness of character won our admiration, her joyousness of nature our love; and we were proud of her as our schoolmate and friend; and we can realize only with deep, sincere grief that we now have but a tender memory of her who so won a place in our hearts.



ON May 6, 1915, at Moline, Ill., occurred the death of Miss Gertrude Caldwell, a former student of the Rock Island High School. The end came as the result of a brief illness and was entirely unexpected by her friends.

Miss Caldwell received her early education in the grammar schools of Milan, Ill. After a term of study at the high school of that town, she became a student at the Rock Island High School, from which she was graduated as a member of the class of 1910.

After completing her high school course, Miss Caldwell attended the Western Illinois State Normal School at Macomb, Ill. Returning later to this city, she became a teacher in the local schools. At the time of her death, she was an instructor at the Hawthorne School in Rock Island.

Miss Caldwell was a good student and an efficient teacher. As such, she acquired a large circle of friends, who realize that her death has deprived them of an esteemed classmate and a true friend.



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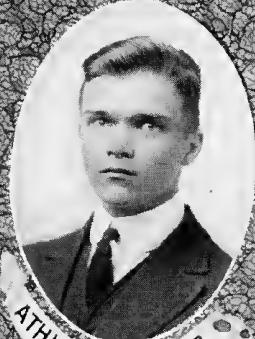
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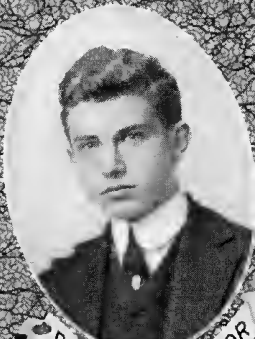
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Calendar

Sept. 23—Teddy Roosevelt came to town and demoralized our classes.

Sept. 28—Fae Hanna and Edgar James were elected as editor and business manager of the WATCH TOWER.

Oct. 1—Irene Goldstone entertained us in General Assembly and — “I ain’t a goin’ to cry no more.”

Oct. 4—The band made its debut.

Oct. 6—Peace day with some thrilling orations by a few Seniors.



Oct. 6.



Oct. 22.

Oct. 22—*Argus-Dispatch* contest. Those worried reporters.

Nov. 2—Wasn't it naughty for Bobby, the dignified Sophomore President, to get himself expelled from the Assembly?

Nov. 6—First edition of the WATCH TOWER. Also Miss Sturgeon entertained the members of the Press Team at a banquet.

Nov. 9—Poor Franklin! He did take such an awful tumble in the Assembly!

Nov. 10—Mr. Owens told us all about “the nawsty things flies carry on their feet, if you please.”

Nov. 11—Report cards! “Gridiron Braves” was put on sale.



Nov. 14.

Nov. 14—Didn't everybody have fun celebrating our victory over Moline? Were you at the bonfire?

Nov. 25—Orchestra gave concert in Assembly and — Mr. Burton dropped two periods!

Dec. 3—The Theadelphic “Greens” gave a reception to the “Whites” and the new members.

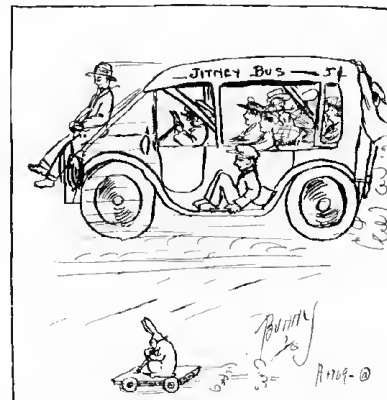
Dec. 4—Senior Party. Congratulations to Marshall Newton who also attended a select little affair given by some Juniors.

Dec. 11—That dandy Junior Football Reception. Nuff sed.

- Dec. 14—The snow made its first appearance.
 Dec. 24—Vacation, for a change.
 Jan. 8—Our friend John W. Casto and Miss Minnie Hobson were united in marriage.
 Jan. 11—Isn't the cafeteria fine?
 Jan. 20—The football men received their watchfobs. Moreover, the Junior boys are basketball champions of the school.
 Jan. 26—Mr. Ruskin told us interesting things about the Eskimos.
 Jan. 29—The mighty, distinguished Sophs had a party.
 Jan. 29—The WATCH TOWER made its second appearance. Also report cards!
 Feb. 1—Did you sink or swim or slip? Wasn't the ice *awful*?
 Feb. 4—And the Assembly clock stopped—or was stopped. Mystery!
 Feb. 5—Junior girls won the basketball championship.
 Feb. 12—Second Junior Party. No remarks, please!
 Feb. 18—The Hart had a spread what was a spread!
 Feb. 19—Marie Williams took first honors in the Girls' declamatory contest at Canton. And didn't Leroy look cute with his hair parted in the middle?
 Feb. 21—Sol Butler wins first track honors for R. I.
 Feb. 26—The Freshman Party was celebrated.
 Feb. 27—We're champions some more! *Rock Island* won the basketball tournament at Galesburg.
 Mar. 12—WATCH TOWER again.
 Mar. 13—1914 Alumni girls beat William and Vashti girls at basketball 40 to 1.



MAY 7.



MARCH 16.

- Mar. 16—The Junior boys' basketball team entertained the Junior girls at a box party. Ten in a jitney!
 Mar. 17—Vivian and Leslie had rather a hot time to-day, didn't they?
 Mar. 27—By the way, who all got postals from Vivian when he was in Chicago?
 Mar. 31—What? Another Anneas affair? At Center Station this time.
 Mar. 21—Apr. 1—Go to School Week.
 Mar. 26—We wouldn't say Mabel Findlay was absent-minded, but why do you suppose she carried a dozen of eggs to school instead of her lunch?
 Apr. 2—R. I. H. S. had a holiday.

Apr. 8-9—"The Time of His Life." The Senior class play surely was a grand success.

Apr. 13—Blanche Ehlers gave some fine piano numbers in Assembly to-day.

Apr. 16—The Juniors romped away with the cross-country run.

Apr. 19—A choice concert was rendered during the noon hour by Mr. F. P. Searle.

Apr. 21—Who were those girls who locked Mr. Robb in the attic?

Apr. 23-24—The big Frolic!

Apr. 24—The Seniors won the interclass track meet.

May 1—Everyone had a great time at Galesburg, even if the track meet was a little disappointing.

May 4—The best Barker, Clifford Meyers, and the Queen of the Frolic, Dorothy Basset, received their prizes.

Albert Tabor, '16, will boss the basketball team next year.

May 5—If you were too sleepy to come and hear the Tuskegee singers, you certainly missed a rare treat.

May 7—All those people with stiff necks are Latin students who have been taking notes on the Latin exhibit.

Robert Olmsted's extemporaneous speech took third place at Moline.

May 8—Tri-city track meet. Rock Island received second place.

May 12—The German picnic and a fine time.

May 13—The Ladies' Octette of the R. I. Musical club entertained us to-day.

May 14—The Glee Club concert was just fine, wasn't it?

May 15—Tied for second place in the Iowa City track meet.

May 18—Marie Carlson gave some fine piano numbers in General Assembly.

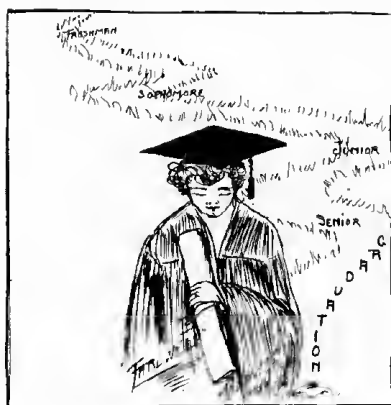
May 27—Senior day again.

May 30—Baccalaureate Sunday.

May 31—Another score for the Juniors. Didn't everyone have fun on the excursion?

June 2—A fine Class Day program. Congratulations to the Seniors!

June 4—Commencement and — farewell.



JUNE 4.

The Frolic



HE FROLIC! What magic in the word! Will it not always recall to us the good times we had in the crowded halls of R. I. H. S.? Whenever we hear the word, it will conjure up a vision of all the side shows, the Barkers, the various costumes—all a part of the Frolic.

The Fourth Annual Frolic, held April 23 and 24, was certainly one of our most successful ones. This is true financially as well as socially. Almost all of the shows were new ones and the rooms were always filled with merry crowds.

No need to describe the soda-fountain. There was not a more popular corner in the building.

The Egyptian Bazaar in charge of Mr. Casto proved to be unusually attractive and interesting. Everyone enjoyed the Oriental dancers, the weird music, the pictures, but—*could* you recognize those Turkish women?

Right next to the Bazaar was the Hall of Science, a very interesting exhibit, in charge of Mr. Starr.

As in former years the gym stunts drew a large crowd. One of the prettiest and most unusual sights of the Frolic was a nightingale dance by some of Miss Conger's girls. The Indian Club drill was another attraction that proved popular.

"Not a Man in the House" was the title of the amusing play staged by the Theadelphe girls. The dilemmas of the ladies drew many a laugh from the crowd and, incidentally, netted a good sum of money.

Almost every visitor called upon the Old Wishing Well to draw up the "Old Oaken Bucket." Some very amusing prizes were received.

The girls of the Home Economics classes realized a fine sum on their penants. The candy booths were as popular and as profitable as ever.

The dainty Japanese Tea and Rest Room presided over by Miss Ballard with a bevy of Japanese maidens attracted many visitors. And wasn't that swing comfortable?

At the Art Gallery the girls of the Hart Literary Society pleased their audiences with some very pretty tableaux.

Who will ever forget those minstrels? The Assembly was crowded at every show, for everyone knows the fun making propensity of "Rosy" Wright. "Rosy" and Harry Hoffman were the end men, and together with Mr. Philbrook they surely succeeded in entertaining the audiences.

Of course, one thing which added to the general hilarity of the crowd was the noise created by the Barkers. They were all so very good and so very noisy that a voting contest was held to determine who was really the best one. Burtis Wilson got the most votes and received the prize. On Saturday night the voting booth greatly resembled a beehive. For, besides voting for a Barker, it was the last chance to vote for a Queen of the Frolic. When the "polls" closed at ten o'clock, Dorothy Bassett was the acknowledged Queen of the Frolic. Later she received the prize, a silver spoon generously donated by L. S. McCabe & Co.

At ten o'clock all of the side shows closed up and everyone flocked to the Assembly to see the Watch Tower Play—"Confound It."

The cast was exceptionally good as every subscriber for the WATCH TOWER was given a chance to "try out." Miss Sturgeon who coached the play is to be congratulated upon the result of her labors.

The play was full of laughs from beginning to end. Edgar James was the henpecked Jeremiah. His wife, Georgianna (Celeste Comegys), and his mother, Mrs. Cleopatra Pelican (Mabel Findlay), were fully determined to have absolute authority in the house. At a critical moment Mrs. Pelican's daughter, Fanny (Ellen Owens), arrives to make her a visit. She inserts enough courage into the timorous, faint-hearted Jeremiah to enable him to assert his authority as master of the house. He chooses his wife to be mistress therein and leaves his mother to Fannys ministrations. By a little clever maneuvering Fanny brings about a reconciliation between her mother and an old sweetheart of hers, Doctor Pretty-niece (Joel Nichols). Then, after averting a domestic crisis between Jeremiah and his wife, Fanny secures the consent of the family to her marriage with Augustus Noodle—I mean Boodle. So everything, of course, ends happily. The perfectly natural way in which Joel Nichols acted the part of the lovelorn doctor was really amusing. Verner Hallgren, as Joseph, the calm and self-assured butler, added much to the success of the play.



JAPANESE TEA ROOM



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Hart Literary Society

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THIS year, the Hart Literary Society departed from the custom of former years in that they did not select any special line of study. Yet the programs were all interesting and instructive. The drills in parliamentary law by Miss Healy were very helpful to the girls. The members held a very successful spread after the Christmas vacation. About then the attendance began to dwindle down, and in order to increase it an active contest between the Juniors and Seniors was engaged in. The Seniors and Juniors tying as winners joined in a delightful spread. All in all, this year has been a successful one for the society, and those girls who have taken an active interest have felt well repaid for the time and energy which they have given it.



Theadelphic Literary Society

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THIS year, the Theadelphic Literary Society has enjoyed the most prosperous year of its whole career. A contest held in the fall resulted in the membership being increased to one hundred and thirty-four. "Authors" was chosen by the girls as a study for this year. Under the careful direction of Mrs. Eastman the work was completed in a manner to be proud of. The musicians and readers have also aided considerably in making the programs worthy of attendance. The artists, too, are to be thanked for making such enticing posters.

The comedy playlet, "Not a Man in the House," which the girls put on in the Frolic gave a good example of the dramatic ability of the society as a whole. Only one spread was given during the year, but everyone had such a good time at it that they did not need any other.

Everyone agrees that there is a brilliant future in store for the "Sisters of the Goddesses" (for that is what the Theadelphic girls are) and the wearers of the Laurel Wreath (their emblem).



Ciceronian Literary Society

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ALTHOUGH begun unusually late, the work of the Ciceronian has been exceptional in quality and enthusiasm this year. This has been due in great measure to the able administration of the affairs of the society by Bert Metcalf, who was elected president at the beginning of the year. The society was piloted by him through one of the most successful periods of its history until the first of January, when he was forced by the stress of his other duties to resign. Robert Cline, the Vice President, automatically succeeded to the office.

A large number of new members were added to the society this year and especial encouragement was received by the interest shown by the lower classmen in the work. The main regret of most of the members of the society in the past has been that they did not join while Freshmen. It is to be hoped that there will be less occasion for this regret in the future.



ROBERT CLINE

ALINE MARTIN

ROBERT OLMSTED

AFFIRMATIVE DEBATING TEAM

The Debating Teams

THE question for the Big Eight debate this year was "Resolved:—That the Parcel Post should be extended to include the entire express service of the United States." Following the regular order in this triangle the Rock Island negative team went to Moline, Moline's negative to Davenport, and Davenport's negative to Rock Island, the affirmative teams of the three cities debating on the home floors.

There was a slight deviation from the usual plan this year, in that the Davenport-Rock Island and Davenport-Moline debates were held at 1:30 in the afternoon, March, 19, before the assembled students of the Rock Island and Davenport High Schools, respectively, all classes for the afternoon being dismissed. Moline alone of the tri-cities did not approve this plan, so the Rock Island-Moline debate was held at the regular time, 8:00 p. m., on the same day. In the Davenport-Rock Island debate, the Rock Island affirmative team, composed of Robert Cline, Aline Martin, and Robert Olmsted, was defeated by Davenport's negative team, composed of George Barrette, Lawrence Gable, and Sterline Richart, by a vote of one against two. The judges of the debate were Revs. R. S. Haney and J. E. Conner of Moline and Prof. Marcus Skarstedt of Rock Island. Rev. Haney voted for Rock Island.

Our negative team, Edgar James, Lewis Saulpaugh, and Bert Metcalf, had a bitter pill to swallow. After throwing the Moline team, composed of Royal Montgomery, Herbert Person, and Albert Stowe, into despair, with a Moline audience fully anticipating defeat, the unexpected happened and the judges returned a decision of two to one in favor of Moline. The judges were C. A. Kellogg, F. S. Betty, and C. H. Bright, all of Davenport. Mr. Bright voted for Rock Island.

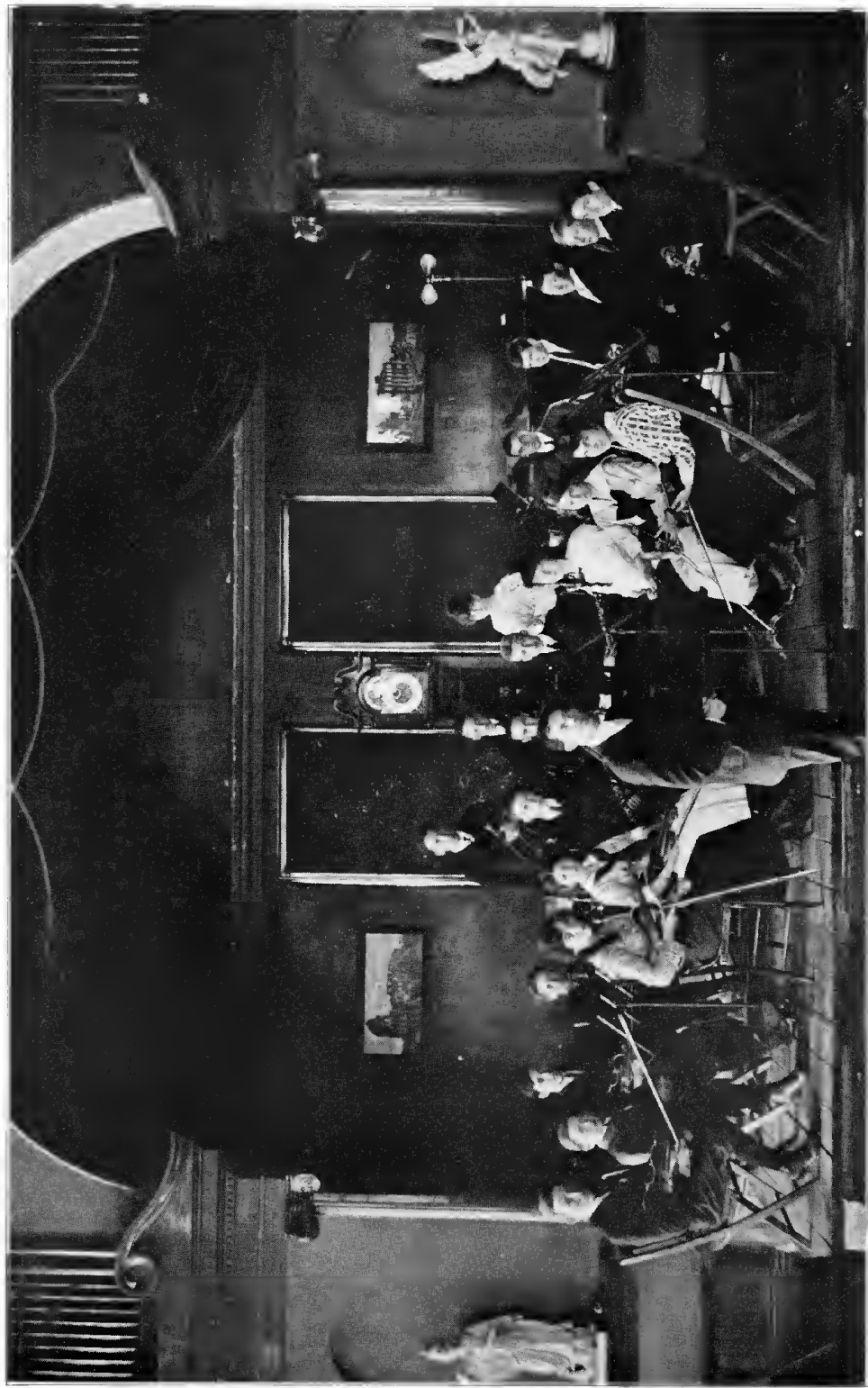


EDGAR JAMES

BERT METCALF

LEWIS SAULPAUGH

NEGATIVE DEBATING TEAM



Tye High School Orchestra

The High School Orchestra



N orchestra of thirty-two pieces is something to be proud of, is it not? And Rock Island High School is proud of her orchestra. Although the organization has not given a concert this year, as has been the custom, the members have all worked hard and deserve much praise. Almost every Monday night, immediately after seventh period, the sounds of violins being tuned could be heard coming from the "Assembly Room." When all the members had arrived the practice would begin in earnest, and people passing by the door would not be able to keep from humming the tune. It is to be hoped that the orchestra of next year will give us a very good concert to make up to us for not having one this year.

MEMBERS

Leader—Mr. Burton

Violin—

Aline Martin	John Dice	Myrtle Jens
Frances Rhoads	Clarence Sharer	Muriel Ammerman
Leo Wagner	Ruben Carlson	Walter Mogler
Emil Goldman	Author Lindas	Leslie Atkinson
Henry Hoffman	Raymond Art	Chester Olson
Frazer Vance	Bessie Eggart	

Oboe—

Mr. E. M. Starr

Flute—

Hugo Larson

Clarinet—

Mr. A. J. Burton
Philip Darling
Violet Corston
Edgar Brand
Charles Kale

Cornet—

Ulysses Clark
Kenneth Vernon
James Schieberl
Glen Hendrickson

Trombone—

Mr. J. W. Casto

French Horn—

Mr. Philbrook

Drums—

Robert Pearce

Piano—

Ruth Ruge



THE BAND

The Band



ALTHOUGH this is the first year that Rock Island High School has ever had a band, that organization has been much in evidence throughout both semesters. In the football season it helped R. I. win many a victory. About an hour before a game started the people would flock into the band stand. The cheering would commence. That would not make our opponents feel "blue", because they had some "rooters", also. But in half an hour when the band arrived playing a march, that would not let your feet keep still, the rival team would look a little less confident. They didn't have a band. Then the game would start. During the playing, whenever one of our men made a long gain, the boom, boom, boom, of the drums and the toot, toot, toot, of the horns would sound from the side lines and send congratulations and encouragement to our team, doubts and uncertainties to our opponents. Later, in the parade after the game, the band would again be a very important factor.

Yet not only when "things were coming our way" did our band play so vigorously, but when "luck was against us" the music never ceased and our song of defeat was just as strong and steady as our victory song.

Then, when the gridiron season was over, the band played at indoor entertainments. In fact the band gave a concert in General Assembly early in the spring. "It's a Long Way to Tipperary" proved especially popular, but "Mr. Buzz Saw" made the hit of the day. "Mr. Buzz Saw" is Mr. Casto's latest composition and one of his best.

Several times since the concert, the band has been in the "spot-light". At the class play the stirring music kept the impatience of the audience down between acts.

Now what is the cause of the success of our band? Is it the work of the members? Or is it the efficiency of the director? Or can it be the backing of the school? Whatever it is, certainly no one organization of the school has ever been the "all around" aid that the band has been.

MEMBERS OF THE BAND

Piano—

Eugene Brown

Cornet—

Glenn Hendrickson

Kenneth Vernon

Ralph Eggert

Joseph Schiebel

Boswell Lamp

Trombone—

Mr. Casto

Clarinet—

Mr. Burton

Edgar Brand

Charles Taylor

Elmer Johnson

Alto Horn—

L. Welch

French Horn—

Mr. Philbrook

David Bowlby

Piccolo—

Hugo Larson

E. Olson

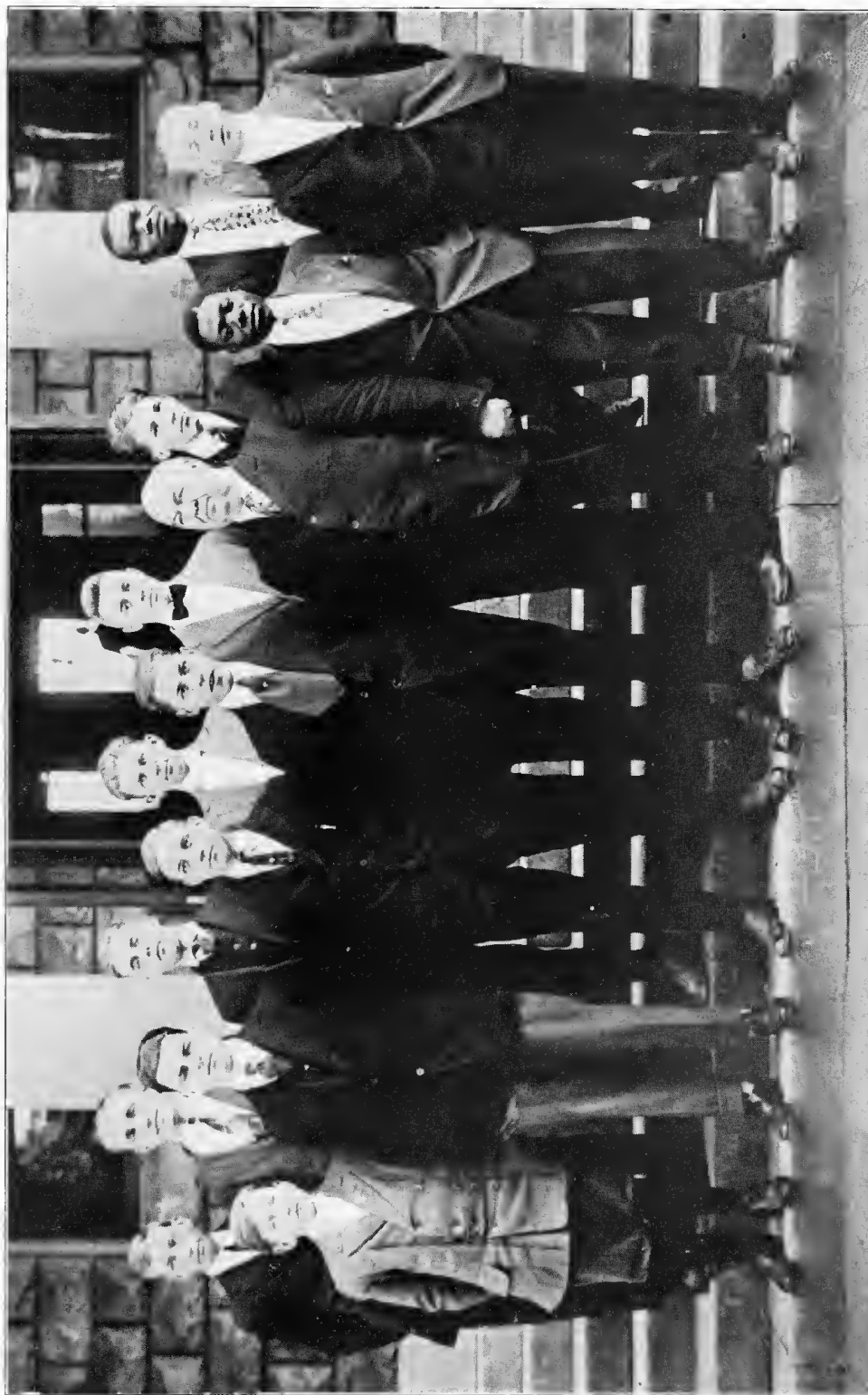
Tuba—

Lowell Key

Drums—

Robert Pearce

Ben Butler



GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club

Director MR. E. L. PHILBROOK

Accompanist MISS RUTH RUGE



OR several years the Glee Club has been a noteworthy organization of the school. The annual concert has always been a "red letter day" on the school calendar. This year the entertainment was given Thursday evening, May 6th. The concert proved to be so enjoyable that it was repeated in General Assembly on May 14th. The program was as follows:

- I. OVERTURE—"On the Campus"
 - a. "Finnicula Finnicula" CHORUS
 - b. "What Beams So Bright".....QUARTETTE
 - c. "Lauterbach" LEO WAGNER
 - d. "Soldier's Farewell" CHORUS
 - e. "Bring Back My Bonnie"...BEN BUTLER AND CHORUS
 - f. "Updee".....DEAN INGALLS AND CHORUS
 - g. "Juanita" CHORUS
 - h. "Good Bye, My Lover"..... CHORUS
 - i. "Three Crows"FOREST FRY AND CHORUS
 - j. "Spanish Cavalier"LEROY KLOVE
 - k. "Bingo"HORACE MASON AND CHORUS
 - l. "I've Lost My Doggie".....J. BRUNER AND B. BUTLER
 - m. "One Wide River to Cross"...J. MCGINNIS AND CHORUS
 - n. "Good Night, Ladies"CHORUS
 - o. "We Won't Go Home till Morning".....DUET
 - p. "Auld Lang Syne"ENTIRE CLUB
- II. CHORUS—"Over the Meadow Fair"*Geible*
GLEE CLUB
- III. PIANO SOLO—"Trysting Place"*MacDowell*
"To a Wild Rose"*MacDowell*
RUTH RUGE
- IV. BASS SOLO—"King Death"
DEAN INGALLS
- V. CHORUS—"Doan Ye Cry, My Honey"*A. W. Noll*
- VI. BARITONE SOLO—"Girle from Girlieland"
JOE MCGINNIS
- VII. CHORUS—"Rainbow Bridge of Dreams"*Linders*
- VIII. BASS SOLO—"The Little Gray Home in the West".....*Lohr*
"Spring Again"*Wright*
MR. STANTON
- IX. VIOLIN SOLO *Selected*
WILLIS WELD
- X. MEDLEY—"Up to Date"*Geible*
CLUB

Associated Students

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N accordance with its usual custom the Associated Student Body has awarded emblems to those who have done valuable work in the various school activities. The names of those who have received honors for athletics will be found in the Athletic Department. Those honored for valuable work in other departments are:

DEBATING

Aline Martin, '16	Robert Olmsted, '16
Lewis Saulpaugh, '16	Edgar James, '16
Bert Metcalf, '15	Robert Cline, '15

DECLAIMING

Marie Williams, '17

WATCH TOWER

Eae Hanna, '15	Bert Metcalf, '15
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ORATORICAL

Bert Metcalf, '15

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FOOTBALL TEAM



WILL GLEASON

Football

1914

Captain...ARTHUR HINKLEY

Manager.....A. G. HILL

1915

Captain ... WILL GLEASON

Manager.....A. G. HILL



ARTHUR HINKLEY

The team for the season was:

Will Culley—Center.

Bliss Rinck—Right Guard.

Edgar James—Right Guard.

Ray Criswell—Right Tackle.

Ardo Gaetger—Right End.

Fay Reeves—Right End.

Robert Ackley—Right Half-back.

Arthur Hinkley (Capt.)—Quarter-back.

Leslie Johnson—Quarter-back.

Joel Nichols—Left Guard.

Leo Wagner—Left Guard.

Will Gleason—Left Tackle.

Frank Looby—Left End.

Solomon Butler—Left Half-back.

Vivian Thomas—Left Half-back.

Clifford Whisler—Full Back.

Meyer Morris—Full Back.

THE football season of 1914 saw a wonderful change in the attitude of the entire school towards the gridiron sport. When the candidates answered the first call early in the season, over three elevens were ready to don the moleskins for the preliminary practice. Perhaps because of Coach Roe's method of giving everyone his chance, or because of pure loyalty, throughout the season there were always enough men for a scrimmage. The portion of the school which could not do work on the gridiron tried their best to make a successful team by their fine support. Every night at practice there were many spectators, and when the games came—well, financially the Athletic Association never had a better season. Starting with the Alumni game, a crowd more than fifty per cent larger than the ordinary turned out, and as the season wore on, the attendance increased greatly.

But to the team itself. The graduation class of 1914 took many of the stars out of the lineup, and the coaches worked hard to fill their places. Over half of the line had to be rebuilt, while the most important position on the team, that of quarter-back, remained vacant. With the abundance of material a good line was soon found that grew steadily better. The backfields problem was soon solved, too, but the team seemed to play well one week and the next week they could not play at all. Here the steady work of the coaching staff asserted itself. Particularly after the Davenport game, many of the old stars came to the aid of Roe and Cook, and helped get ready for the final game. This led to a very successful climax for the season, when on the 14th of November, with a team in which hardly any of the men were in their regular positions, Rock Island defeated the Plow City High School on a muddy field, 12—0, retaliating for the defeat by Davenport the week before.

This year the second team was allowed to play games with outside teams. They played a scoreless tie with Viola H. S., beat the Moline second team, 8—7, and defeated the St. Ambrose Midgets, 12—0.

A review of the 1914 season:

Sept. 27	Rock Island	6	Alumni	0	At Rock Island
Oct. 4	Rock Island	76	Aledo	0	At Rock Island
Oct. 11	Rock Island	0	Rockford	21	At Rockford
Oct. 18	Rock Island	53	Ottawa	0	At Rock Island
Oct. 25	Rock Island	73	Monmouth	0	At Rock Island
Nov. 1	Rock Island	7	Princeton	7	At Princeton
Nov. 7	Rock Island	7	Davenport	21	At Davenport
Nov. 14	Rock Island	12	Moline	0	At Moline
Total:	Rock Island	257	Opponents	49	



BASKETBALL TEAM



ALBERT TABOR

Basketball

1914

Captain FAY REEVES

Manager A. G. HILL

1915

Captain ... ALBERT TABOR

Manager A. G. HILL



FAY REEVES

The team for the season was:

Butler, Culley—Center.

A. Tabor—Right forward.

Captain Reeves—Right forward.

Gleason—Right guard.

Hinkley—Right guard.

Robb—Left forward.

Morris—Left forward.

Rinck—Left guard.

Whisler—Left guard.

Substitutes—Anderson and Heimbeck.



WITH four former "R. I." basketball men, Reeves, Gleason, Rinck, and Hinkley, Captain Fay Reeves started to build a team which would aspire to the State Championship. The football season ended early, so that the entire time could be given to the boys on the basketball court much earlier than in former years. So much good material showed up that it was at first thought that Rock Island could have two teams of equal playing ability on the floor which would prove to be winners.

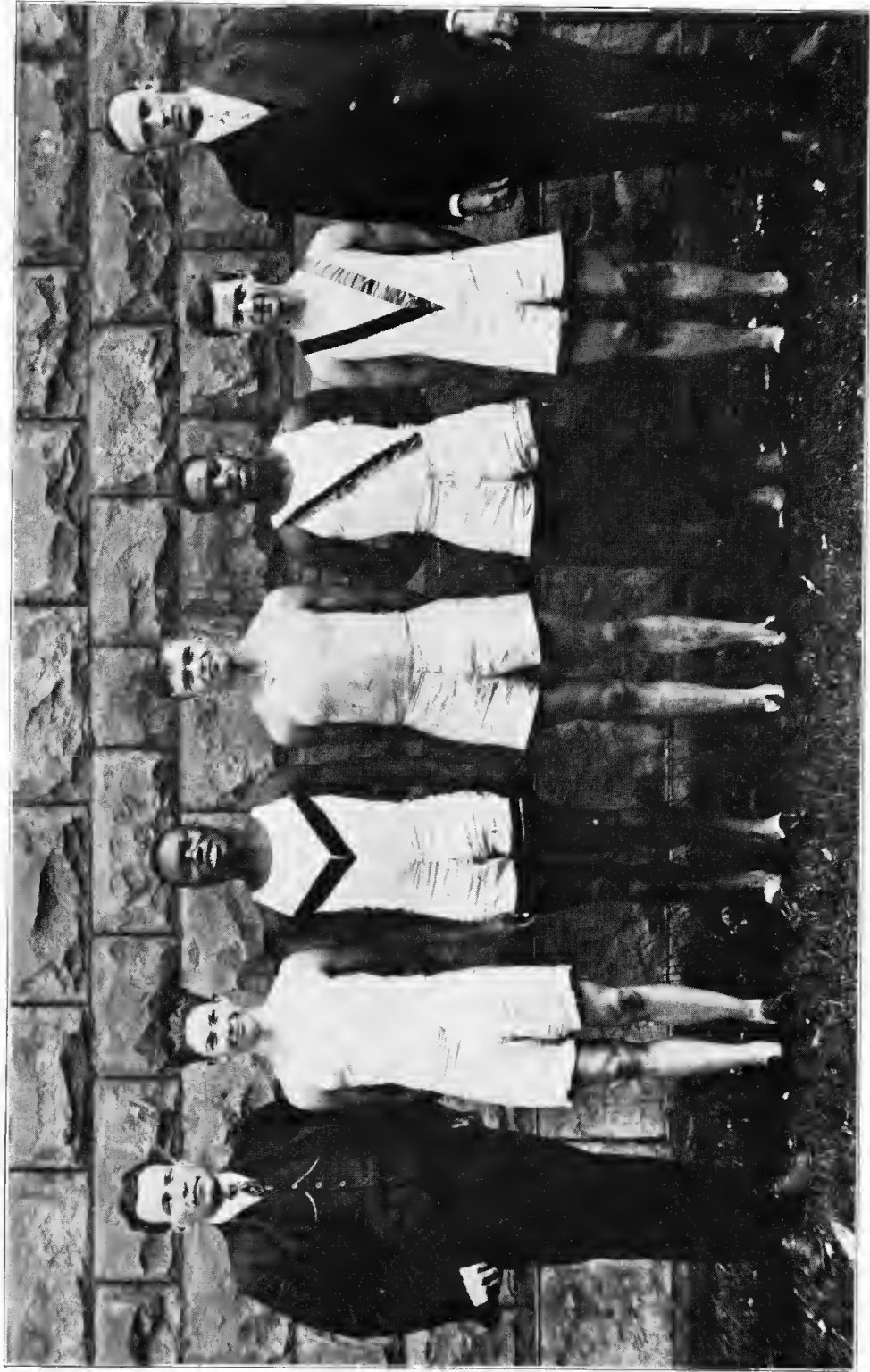
The team started the season with a win over one of the strongest Alumni teams in years. Next they took the faculty into camp and then met their first defeat at the hands of Sterling H. S. on the latter floor. After this the team settled down and played better every game, having but few of the ragged streaks so common to teams. New men continued to develop, so that when the team went to Galesburg to the District tournament they had men for two teams which could beat any other team on the floor. This gave them the right to represent this district at the State Tournament held at Decatur. At the end of the first game they were a tie with Springfield and in the extra two minute period, the Capital City lads made two points, beating the Islanders. Springfield took second place in the finals of the State Tournament.

The record made this season is one of the best in years. We have won fourteen and lost four games, rolling up a total of 515 points to the 345 of our opponents. Of these Captain Fay Reeves made nearly half, getting 236 in seventeen games. Tabor averaged good for the short time he played.

RECORD OF GAMES

Rock Island	30	Alumni	22	At Rock Island
Rock Island	19	Sterling	21	At Sterling
Rock Island	48	Faculty	32	At Rock Island
Rock Island	38	Tiskilwa	12	At Rock Island
Rock Island	19	Moline	11	At Moline
Rock Island	46	Geneseo	28	At Geneseo
Rock Island	43	Cambridge	11	At Cambridge
Rock Island	24	Davenport	31	At Rock Island
Rock Island	28	Mt. Carroll	27	At Mt. Carroll
Rock Island	33	Aledo	27	At Rock Island
Rock Island	22	Moline	17	At Rock Island
Rock Island	30	Knoxville	10	At Galesburg
Rock Island	43	Farmington	25	At Galesburg
Rock Island	25	Aledo	20	At Galesburg
Rock Island	2	Princeville	*0	At Galesburg
Rock Island	29	Galesburg	10	At Galesburg
Rock Island	17	Davenport	21	At Davenport
Rock Island	19	Springfield	21	At Decatur
Total: R. I.	615	Opponents	345	

* Forfeited.



TRACK TEAM



VIVIAN THOMAS

Track

1914

Captain . . . FRANK MILLER

Manager A. G. HILL

1915

Captain . . . VIVIAN THOMAS

Manager A. G. HILL



FRANK MILLER

THE spirit shown in the other two branches of athletics, football and basketball, did not manifest itself in track. The school seemed to have the idea that one man was enough, those who had been out before hardly coming out. This condition is deplorable. For next year we have hardly any experienced men, and those who have lain low this season and start coming out next year will realize what one year's experience in the cinder path means. True, there have been a few out, and these men deserve great credit for their work. These men are Miller (captain), Butler, Clark, Don Jones, Barker, McNeil, Stauduhar, Culley, Stratton, McGinnis, Robb, and occasionally Nichols, Morris, and Reeves. There is much material of the first water among our seven hundred students and things will have to change if we expect to come in anywhere above the rock bottom cellar position that Moline held this year.

Northwestern Indoor Meet

Miller, Butler, Clark, and Thomas, accompanied by Coach Roe and Manager Hill, represented the school at the Innovation Meet at Northwestern University the 26th and 27th of March. Sol walked away with the 60-yard dash, 60-yard high hurdles and took the broad jump and the shot put on the side, winning 20 points and the shield for first place for the school, and an individual honor cup for himself. Miller got through the prelims in the mile and was just nosed out of a point in the finals by inches. Clark also came through the prelims in the broad jump and the 60-yard dash, but came as close as Miller to placing, just missing in each event.

Seventh Annual Big Eight Interscholastic Track and Field Meet

Galesburg, Ill., May 1, 1915

The first time this year in which the sting of Davenport was felt by our track team was in the Big Eight. Ideal conditions attended this meet, and Sol broke some records, and tied others. The strain of getting most of the points pulled him down, and we missed Davenport by 3 points, they having 33 to our 30.

The point winners for R. I. were:

Butler—First in the 50 and 100-yard dashes.

First in the broad jump.

First in the low hurdles.

Second in the shot put.

Culley—Third in the pole vault.

Clark—Third in the quarter mile dash.

Thomas—First in the half mile.

Eighth Annual Tri-City Track and Field Meet

Rock Island, Ill., May 8, 1915

One week after the Big Eight Rock Island, Davenport, and Moline again met on the track and field. Weather conditions made fast time impossible, otherwise many records would have fallen. Davenport with her well-balanced team

atoned in the field events for the points which she missed in the track, and took points in every event except one. Rock Island gained nearly all the firsts in the track events, but failed in most of the field events. Moline only counted in five events.

Rock Island's point winners:

Butler, first in the 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, high hurdles, and the broad jump, setting a new record (21 feet, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ in), second in the shot put, and the discus.
Miller first in the mile.

Clark, third in 50 and 100-yd. dashes.
Culley tied for second in the pole vault.
Stauduhar, third in the half mile.
Thomas, first in the half mile.
Mile relay team—Clark, Jones, Thomas, and Miller, first place.

SUMMARY OF POINTS. TRI-CITY MEET.

	DAVENPORT.	MOLINE.	ROCK ISLAND.
120-yard Hurdles	4	..	5
50-yard Dash	3	..	6
Mile Run	4	..	5
100-yard Dash	3	..	6
440-yard Dash	4	5	..
220-yard Hurdles	9
880-yard Run	3	..	6
220-yard Dash	3	1	5
1 Mile Relay	3	5
$\frac{1}{2}$ Mile Relay	5	1	3
Pole Vault	1	..	2
High Jump	9
Broad Jump	3	..	6
Discus Throw	5	1	3
Shot Put	6	..	3
Total Points	68	11	55

First place, 5 points. Second place, 3 points. Third place, 1 point.

Iowa University Interscholastic

May 15, 1915

Medals and mud went together well for only one Islander at the Iowa University Meet. Heavy rains in the morning and early in the afternoon made running hard, so the locals were unable to come up good in the track events, but the Davenport school, with its well-balanced team, continued to score in the field events as well as the track. So they again stepped on us, collecting 28 $\frac{1}{3}$ points for the afternoon's work, while Rock Island tied West Des Moines for second with 27.

Butler did his usual star work, and made his best leap of the year in the broad jump, going 22 ft., 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., setting a new record over a foot better than the old. He did his usual work in the dashes, but made the surprise of the day when he ran the last lap in the half-mile relay, doing the distance in about 22 seconds, possibly under.

Rock Island's point winners:

Butler—First in the 100-yard dash.
First in the 220-yard dash.
First in the 220-yard low hurdles.
First in the broad jump.
Second in the shot put.

Thomas—Fourth in the half.
Half mile relay team—Clark, Jones, Thomas, and Butler, second.



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ELIZABETH BRYAN LUCY CLARKE (CAPT.) JUNE NELSON
DOROTHY SCHOESSEL HAZEL WILLIS MARY GRAVES

Girls' Basketball

SENIORS

ALTHOUGH they are compelled to leave school without a championship, the Senior girls, nevertheless, have a fine team and deserve great credit for their plucky playing. In the first game of the tourney, they easily vanquished the Sophomores. The next night they ran up a large score against the Freshies. On Friday they met the Juniors to decide the tournament and alas! were obliged to acknowledge the supremacy of the other team. The score was 17—6.

Elizabeth Bryan and Dorothy Schoessel, always remembered for their clever team play, held down the forward positions and played hard every minute of the games. Some of the longest and most difficult shots at the basket during the tournament were made by Dorothy Schoessel. For this reason she secured a berth on the all-school team. At center Hazel Willis played a skillful game. Lucy Clark (Capt.), Mary Graves, and June Nelson were the Senior guards. The scores of their opponents were held low by their wide-awake guarding which contributed not a little to the interest of the tourney.



HAZEL KERR JENNETTE RIDDELL
EVELYN ECKHART ELIZABETH BABCOCK (CAPT.) ALBERTA GLASCO

JUNIORS

WITH a determination to keep the Junior record clear and hang the brown and gold in first place, the Junior girls fought bravely and spiritedly in all games. The Freshmen and Sophomores easily succumbed to the superior abilities of the Juniors without scoring a single field goal. In the deciding game the Seniors were able to throw but one field basket, netting their other points on free throws. So the Class of '16 were champions.

And indeed, a fine quintet represented the class. Elizabeth (we mean Tib) Babcock was captain and played a skillful game at center. She was picked to fill this position on the all-school team. Alberta Glasco as forward played a wonderful game. In the three tournament games she alone made 88 points, surely a record to be proud of. She was also accorded a position on the all-school team. Her team mate, Evelyn Eckhart, played well with her and made enough scores on their opponents to raise the total number of points to 126, which exceeds the total number of points amassed by all the opposing teams put together.

The stellar guarding of Hazel Kerr was a most important factor in the Junior success. She has great skill and is hailed as the best guard in the school. Jennette Riddell played well with Hazel and between them both they made some difficult situations for the opposing forwards.



ELIZABETH SWISHER VALA FORSBERG
 GRACE BARNETT MILDRED HUDSON
 MELBA CARLSON (CAPT.)

SOPHOMORES

THE closest and hardest fought game of the tournament was that between the Freshies and the second year students. The Sophs played a lively, enterprising game and in the last five minutes succeeded in scoring twice on the Freshies, thus clinching third place in the tournament. They have two years before them and will gain the laurels for '17 yet.

The star and captain of the team was Melba Carlson who played forward. She played a cool, clever game and always succeeded in making the opposing guards uneasy. Her never erring aim in throwing foul baskets was one of the wonders of the tourney. Her sister forward was Mildred Hudson, who played a good, consistent game.

Beth Emery and Vala Forsberg shared the honors at center. Elizabeth Swisher waged a "never say die" battle as guard. Her dextrous, ready playing did much in holding back the opposing forwards and winning third position for the Sophs. Grace Barnett, the other guard, possessed the same admirable qualities and made the sixth on a team which the Class of '17 may well be proud of.



ROBBY CLARKE
 CORNELIA DARLING UNA SODERGREN
 FRIEDA NUSSLI CLARA ARNELL (CAPT.) MARGUERITE MORRISON

FRESHMEN

WITH the small Freshman guards making the older and more experienced players work to score, the Freshman team came very near to capturing third place in the tournament. They surely will have the pleasure of holding the championship before they leave school, for the members of their team play well together, and for inexperienced players, their abilities are surprising. Throughout each game, though the odds were against them, they showed grit and perseverance to the end.

Frieda Nuessli played a fast game at forward. She rarely missed a free throw and always made her opposing guards work hard. The other forward position was held by Cornelia Darling, who put up a very creditable game. At center, Clara Arnell (Capt.) and Robley Clark played well. But it was left to the little guards to worry the upper classmen. Una Södergren and Marguerite Morrison stuck tight and fought hard for the class of '18.

Altogether, the Freshmen have made a fine start in basketball.



HARRY CLARKE JAMES BRUNER
JOSEPH MCGINNIS ROBERT ACKLEY (CAPT.) ULYSSES CLARK
FRANK MILLER EUGENE CAVANAUGH

Boys' Basketball Teams

SENIORS

THE barring of the R. I. men played havoc with the Senior lineup, but they set out to have the championship banner. Although they lost to both the Junior and Freshman teams, they preserved the dignity of the Senior class by staying off the bottom in their defeating of the Sophs.

Ackley, captain, took upon his shoulders most of the burden and played at guard when men were needed to fill in there. "Swede" Johnson, Cavanaugh, and Bruner alternated the other forward position and played consistently. McGinnis played a fighting game at guard, and never left the opposition forwards one minute while the ball was in his end of the floor. U. Clark did good work at his guard, especially in the teamwork, while "Happy" Miller played as he does all the time, clean and fighting to the last finish.



ALBERT TABOR VIVIAN THOMAS
 EDGAR JAMES ROBERT ANDERSON
 RAYMOND McMULLEN (CAPT.)

JUNIORS

“**H**OOTTS to the right of them, Hoots to the left of them, Hoots all around them, but baskets they rolled,” might well be said of the champs. All of the students seemed against them, outside of their own class, but they seemed invincible, and played a hard game for their pennant. Little “Stubbs” McMullen, captain, with Tabor as running mate, usually started the scoring from the field, and was always there with the signal work. Tabor, the find of the season, did all the heavy scoring, hardly missing an open shot after he was once started, and he made nearly all of his team’s points in the final game. Thomas managed to get the tip-off in most cases, starting the ball in a series of passes towards the Junior’s goal and in the enemies’ section of the floor, Anderson and James kept things quiet except at occasional intervals, when the ball came their way, then it usually traveled right back, Anderson’s man not getting a field basket throughout the entire series, and James holding his man to two. Each of them also came in for a few baskets from the field, adding to their team’s totals.



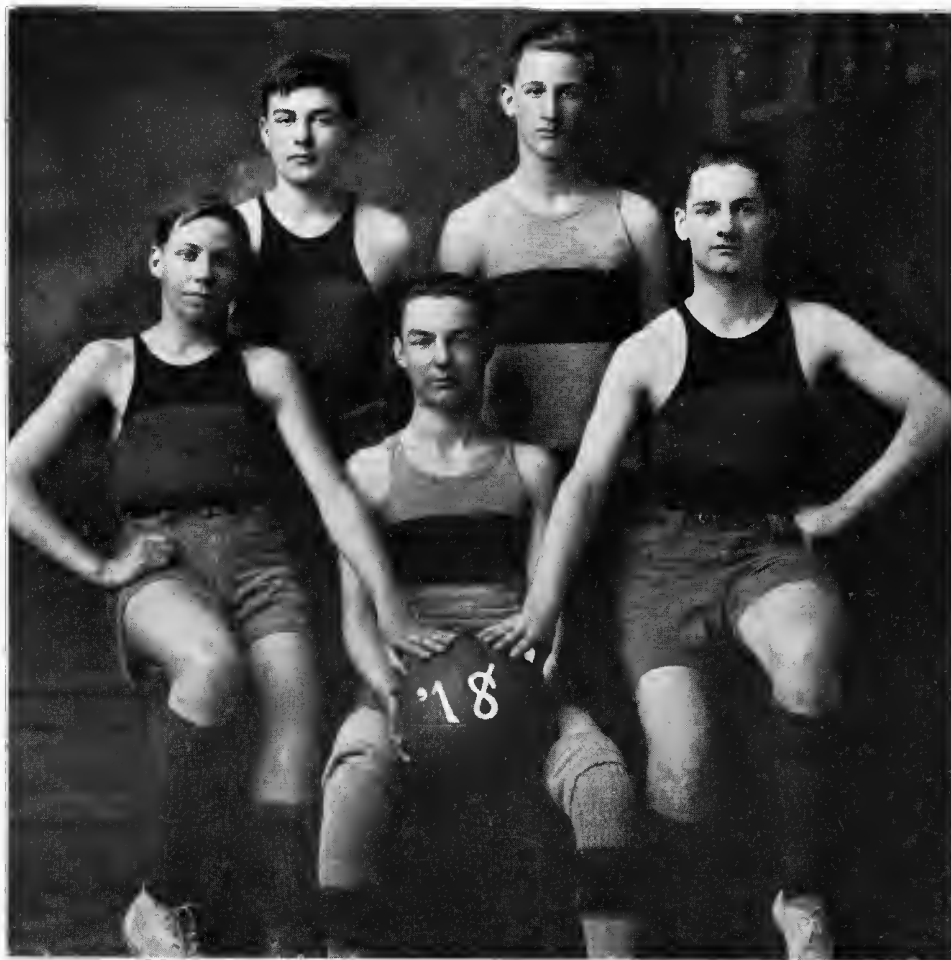
LOWELL TITTERINGTON FRANCIS BARKER HERBERT FOTCH
 EARL BASSETT LOUIS WILSON
 WILMER COX CLIFFORD WHISLER (CAPT.) LELAND DEMPSEY

SOPHOMORES



THE element of luck, and that of the hardest kind, entered into the game of the Soph's team. They played a hard, but losing game, and always lost when victory seemed within their grasp. They served to pave the way to the championship for the Juniors on the second night of the Tournament, and on the last night lost by a close score to the Seniors. At no time did their team remain the same, as they shifted their men considerably, and did not play up to their best for this reason. They should get a championship at least one year before leaving, as they have some really fine material, and are all good scrappers.

Dempsey was their star man, getting many field baskets and doing fairly good work in the free throw department. He did good floor work, too. Wilson, although one of the lightest men in the entire series, showed his worth, being accurate in open shots. He was the "find" from the class of '11, and will no doubt develop into a first team man before long. Cox, who alternated at forward, played more of a floor game and fed his running mate. Barker and Henry at center kept changing and were a good pair. Barker was the best of the two at baskets, while in the teamwork Henry might be picked as the better. Titterington and Basset at guard played a hard position for their team, as the ball was at their end of the floor most of the time. They made the opponents work for their points.



HAROLD HEIMBECK JOHN DURLING
EDWARD TABOR LEROY McMULLEN (CAPT.) LLOYD TUCKER

FRESHMEN

COMING from oblivion the Freshmen team this year put in a strong bid for the school championship. Most of the team has played together for a year, and consequently has good teamwork. They trimmed the Sophs the first evening and duplicated the feat the second night, ousting the Seniors from any possible chance at first place, placing the Seniors in third place, even though the Seniors used varsity players during the second half.

Roy McMullen, their captain, played running forward and continually fed Tabor, who made most of the Freshmen points. The mixup in the Junior-Freshman game between these younger brothers and the older ones on the Junior team added much to the fight of the game. Jack Durling at center was one of their mainstays, all of the teamwork being built around him. He played a good floor game, and also came in for his share of the points. Heimbeck was their star guard, and a large factor in the success of the team. He played a very aggressive game, and with the older and more experienced players he compared favorably. Tucker and Owens at the other guard position also played good games. Tucker was the most used and Owens played the best running guard, making a few field baskets, but Tucker played the standing game better, and held the opponents down to a few baskets.

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HIS year which the Athletic Association has just passed has been the most successful in its history, both financially and otherwise. Besides financing all the athletic activities of the school without any outside aid, even from the "Frolie," it has been able to provide for the coming of the Ben Greet players to the High School in the presentation of "Twelfth Night." Coach Roe, Manager Hill and Mr. Burch are to be highly commended for their efforts in behalf of the association, but perhaps the most to be congratulated are the men on the football, basketball and track teams, who by their faithful work and enthusiastic efforts have made possible our success in athletics and have drawn large crowds to witness the contests.

Below is given a list of those who have won their letters in athletics.

FOR FOOTBALL

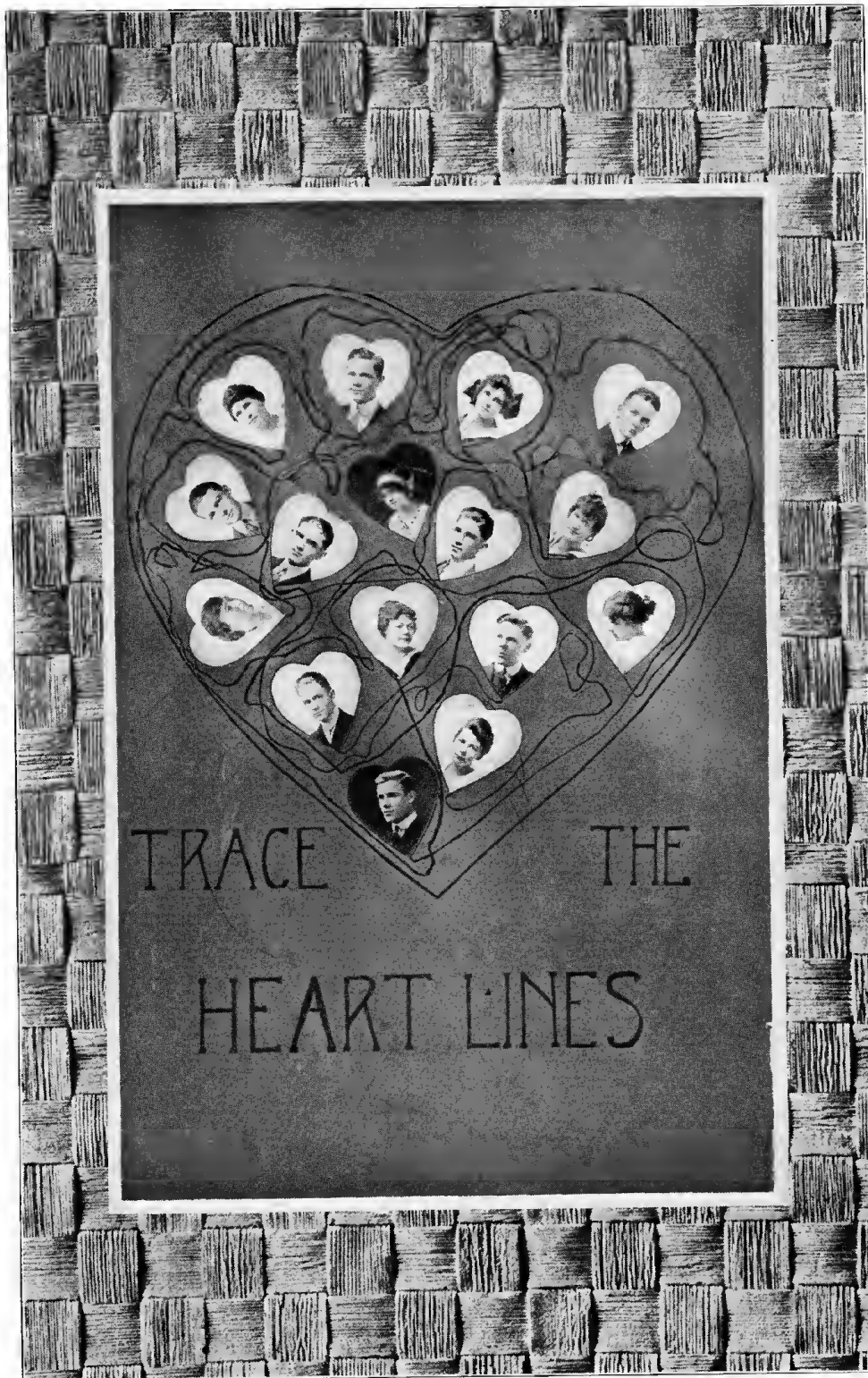
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Bliss Rinck	Meyer Morris	

FOR BASKETBALL

Albert Tabor	Bliss Rinck	Solomon Bntler
Meyer Morris	Will Culley	

TRACK

Solomon Butler	Ulysses Clark	Vivian Thomas
Don Jones	Frank Miller	





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"IGNORANCE IS BLISS".

A tale of woe has come to the ears of ye Editor. But, as other tales, it has a happy ending. It bears upon the thrilling adventures of one of our noble Senior lads, who learned, as we all do, from experience.

Bliss sallied forth, one sunny afternoon in company with a few kindred spirits, to visit a nearby park. There, a youthful siren captivated him with her smiles and helped him to enjoy the day. In the course of the conversation, the wily maiden exclaimed, "What a dear ring? May I see it?"

And of course the gallant, unsuspecting youth handed it over. He handed it over, but alas! She didn't hand it back! Moreover it was a valued class ring with '15 emblazoned on the seal.

Shall we give you an account of the fruitless trips and other strategies used to recover the missing article? Oh, No! sufficient to say that the ring changed hands soon after (we think 'twas in the dark recesses of a movie) and at present writing our hero is a wiser, if not a sadder boy.

PROMINENT YOUNG PEOPLE WED.

May 20, 1915, was the occasion of a beautiful wedding. Miss Mary Louise Nease, a resident of our town, being united in marriage to Mickey Rae, both young people being prominent social leaders in our town. The affair took place at the Watch Tower Inn, a number of relatives and guests being present. Mr. E. C. Fisher officiated. The bride was handsomely decked in a bridal gown and was given away by her father. She was attended by two dainty maidens, the Misses Lucile Hazard and Marjory Curtis, both dressed in the brides colors red and white. Miss Flossie Hull sang "I Love You Truly" while Miss Neva Jenks accompanied her on the piano. Miss Margaret Lawson played the wedding march. Every feature of the ceremony was beautifully carried out and the young couple Mr. and Mrs. Rae carried with them on their short trip to Rock Island, the best wishes and congratulations of a host of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Rae have not yet made known their place of residence.

WEATHER BUREAU.

Office—Top of Manual Arts smoke stack.

Reports hourly by groundless from Alexander Graham.

Freshmen.—Dark clouds of graduation not visible. They'll be sophs soon.

Sophomores.—Sea of knowledge not yet ruffled by the storms of hard studying.

Juniors.—Diplomas on the mountain top being uncovered by the mist of gray matter.

Seniors.—Tears of farewell filling the Mississippi. Soon will float off to the salt sea of higher knowledge.

CLASS PLAY VISITS ORION Makes Big Hit.

After the Senior Class Play "The Time of his Life", was given in our home auditorium, it was decided that such talent should not be selfishly confined in one town, and so the cast decided to go to Orion and there stage the play. With the best wishes of the school following them, and Miss Healy for chaperone the party set out one bright and beautiful morning. Mr. Will Glass kindly offered his machine as a conveyance for the ladies of the cast. They had a very fortunate trip only getting lost once and when they arrived in Orion, they were met by the boys of the cast and a welcoming delegation of citizens. Weary from their arduous journey, the cast retired to rest for the evening performance. About three in the afternoon, refreshed by resting, they appeared to take in the pleasures of the town, and incidentally indulge in a little rehearsal. That night the house filled rapidly and the play put on by the cast was voted a grand success by those attending. Miss Bessie Baker, who accompanied the actors from Rock Island and played between acts, did much to assist in the general success of the affair. We are glad to say that quite a delegation of Rock Island people motored to Orion for the occasion.

Hear ye! Hear ye! The first lady driver of the tri-cities. Neva Jenks is running a "jitney."

YOUNG GALLANT HAS A LONG WALK.

Several days ago, a certain member of the Sophomore Class had some very important business to attend to in Silvis. So, directly after seventh period, he set out on his way. Maybe he had gone to a "movie" the night before, anyway this young gallant had only twenty cents, just enough to take him to Silvis and home again. It happened that Miss Ballard also had business in Silvis, and by some act of fate it came to pass that she took the same car that "our hero" caught. True to his training, the noble Sophomore paid the lady's fare. All the short ten miles up to Silvis the two chatted and had a most delightful time. But for Harry Stuhr it was a long, long way back to R. I.

A JOY RIDE!

Wuxtrie! Wuxtrie! Latest scandal! Two high school students pinched across the river!

Monday, May 24, a couple of students had an experience, which it is hoped (most heartily by themselves) will not happen soon again. A beautiful, silent taxi called for them and gave them a free ride, without their own preferences about the matter being consulted. Indeed, one of the boys (yes, they were both boys) was in the depths of despair, for who should be looking at him from across the street but a young lady of his acquaintance who was on very intimate terms with another young lady whom our friend wished to have entertain the very best opinion of him possible. Awful, heart-rending, detestable luck! But the coppers were inexorable and our friends humbly entered the car.

Of course, at the station, everything was all right. They had simply been distributing window cards for the excursion without a license or special permit, but they were released and sent to the mayor for the permit only after having been subjected to the indignity of having their names set down on the blotter! Yes, everything finally came out all right and the young lady had the matter all explained to her, but still—it was a good thing it happened in Davenport.

(In consideration of their feelings, all names have been suppressed).

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EDITORIAL.

The Editors of this paper have for some time disapproved of the conduct of some of the younger boys of our town. There's little Paul Dahlen, Horace Mason, and the little Nichol's boy and several others of our younger set who have for some time now been behaving quite rudely. The Editors have watched them, ever refraining from rebukes because we thought that these children would some day outgrow their babyish habits. But as they have continued to disregard the rights of peaceful citizens, tripping them up at the most awkward and provoking times, we, the Editors who have watched them with growing alarm and dismay feel it our duty to remonstrate with them to appeal to their senses of manliness, and to lay the matter before their parents. We have spoken to the children in vain. Something must be done. Such destructive, unruly and unmanly little boys are not to be tolerated for a moment in such an orderly, well bred town as ours. We appeal to the town, to the up to date and flourishing citizens to join us in the plan we shall lay before you. Our plan is this. The next time these thoughtless boys plan an escapade, the citizens of this town shall rise up in arms and extinguish the young men. Are you with us, Citizens?

There are mistakes in this paper we grant you. We don't think or try to make you think that our publication is perfect. Still, we don't expect you to go through our "annual" and pick out faults. When you compare our "annual" to that of other schools we don't think you should say, "Their jokes are better than ours," or "If we only had cuts like that," but "Well, I think our paper is every bit as good as that." Remember that this paper is a representative of the R. I. H. S. and is written and published by the students. It should, therefore, be received in a praiseworthy spirit by all of you.

CATCHY COLUMN.

Lankey Lonie's looking long at ladies,
Sister Searle is seeing sights in Sears-town.
Nuttty Newton's knitting knuckles for-guats.
Wily Will is wooing winsome Winnie.
Sleepy Skillet's sawing cedar.
Merry Marion's making moves towards matrimony.
Crazy Cox is catching cats for cat-snip.
Chumsy Claude is copying coach's capers.
Smiling Sol is seeing soft success.
Moonfaced Mac is making matchless music.
Handsome Harry is having horrible headaches.
Lost, Les lingers long at Libby's locker.
Vivacious Virginia is vociferously vaunting a voluminous voice.
Haphazard Helen is honking the horn for harmless Horace.
Flirting Fay is forming fads and fan-cies.
Listless Lucile is looking lorn and lonely.
Bessie Baker's bouncing bashful beaux.
Laughing Louella's lured a lonely lad.
Dapper Dean is doing deeds of daring.

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Are she gone?
Is she went?
Has I left her all alone?
It can never go to she,
Her can never come to we,
It cannot was.

A SPRING POEM.

If fresh Freshmen fry the fish,
And soft Sophomores serve the dish,
Won't the jolly Juniors join the crowd,
And silly Seniors sing out loud.

Selected.

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There was once a small boy who, when trying to think of a certain biblical name, said that it was something like "William father," but finally came to the conclusion that it was simply "Bildad." In like manner, many of us would be kept guessing if we tried to think of a name to correspond to "Joyous Cemetery," but upon further thought we might discover that it was only "Mary Graves."

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Cool, calm, and fresh as the lake which bears his name, behold, our amiable and spacious Halsey Huron.

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Among the ex-presidents represented at our school are Adams, Monroe, Pierce, Johnson, and Cleveland.

Ralph "Lefty" Welsh, our speed merchant, who recognizes the speediest cars, has, after a long struggle received the local agency for the Sears Motor Buggy. The company has sent him an 1897 model for demonstration, which is reported to have a speed of three miles an hour—backward.

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Vivian Thomas' eyesight is improving. A few nights ago he succeeded in seeing a vision which escaped the keen eyes of everyone else. He is quite positive that it was Elizabeth Swisher looking through the glass in the sixth avenue door, in a picture which made a great hit with him.

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Mr. Sinnett watched Marshall Newton as he emptied his pockets of the candy which had been passing around the class, and sarcastically remarked, "Now, you *sweet* little boy, see if you can please pay attention."

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PERSONALS.

Miss Mary Graves, residence 1606 11th Ave., is the honored recipient of a daily note from the Rock Island Union office.

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Milton Johnson is the accomodating young man who delivers the above mentioned notes.

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The Junior girls are forever distracting Vivian Thomas from his serious work.

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Genevieve Carlson and Hazel Willis, two of Hey Sede's theatrical stars caused quite a stir and craning of necks when, on March 17, they favored the Majestic Theater in Rock Island with their presence.

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Dorothy Vernon recently motored to Galva. She missed an English test by so doing, which she took May 18, 1915.

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Marshall Newton lent his fountain pen to a young lady several weeks ago and is now rejoicing that it has been returned.

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It seems that Marion Stoddard is becoming very fond of poetry. The other evening she had a caller and they sat on the front porch all evening reciting poetry to each other. The nature of the poetry is not known.

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Miss Melba Carlson, sixteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carlson, 43 St., was slightly hurt in an accident last Wednesday. She was riding home from school on a grocery wagon and, as no other seat was available, Melba sat on a cracker box. The box proved unable to bear Melba's weight and broke. Her dignity received quite a shock. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is on the quick road to recovery.

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Our Joke Editor and our Athletic Editor still maintain their unusually amicable relations.

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Howard Ramser was the hero of a small riot which took place on 20 St. not long ago. Howard emerged from the fray blushing modestly at all praises of his powers, but alas—minus his tie!

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Mr. and Mrs. Robin and family have taken up their residence at the South twenty first street entrance. All callers cordially received.

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Anyone wishing to see a real curiosity should view Margaret Dibbern's

locker. Strange that such a methodical person should have such a disorderly locker. The interior is tastefully adorned with Watch Tower exchanges and tickets for the Junior Excursion while far underneath a few books endeavor to make their presence known.

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Anyone wishing to trace Margaret Searle's course through High School, may do so by walking around the halls and looking for the lockers before which the largest ink stains may be found.

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Mildred Adams is going to spend the summer camping at Campbells Island. We are pleased to hear that the Vernon cottage is near by.

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The proud owner of the beautiful, new party gown is one of our popular young ladies, Miss Elizabeth Bryan. Miss Bryan received her gown as a graduation present.

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Janet Doyle, a member of the graduating Class of '15, proved herself very capable Wednesday, May 19, when she assumed the duties of being chairman of fifth period Senior English Class.

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Mrs. Eastman still continues to doubt the authorship of the notes which are brought to her.

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Miss Neva Jenks wishes to inform her friends that a change has been made in her telephone number. It is now R. I. 3565Y.

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Mr. Starr impressed his classes the other day with the seriousness of school work, explaining that outside interests of a frivolous nature should not detract from seriousness in school. All students should take notice.

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Dorothy Schoessel attended Sunday-school on May 16, 1915.

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June Nelson has recently developed quite a fondness for transparent substances, especially glass.

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Mabel Findlay has conscientiously given up attending picture shows. Her purse is the gainer.

HEART AND HEARTH PROBLEMS.

Conducted by

Aunt Jerusha Perkins.

Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

I am sixteen years old and a Sophomore in High School. How long should I wear my skirts?

Julia Marshall.

Dear Judy:—

No matter how old you are or what

class you are in, you should not and could not wear your skirts any longer than they last.

Aunt Jerusha.

* * *

Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

I greatly admire Franklin Searle's walk. How can I acquire one like his?

Harold Heinbeck.

Dear Heinie:—

Cover a floor quite thickly with needles, pins, and bits of broken glass. Practise walking over it in your bare feet. Do this for one hour every morning and evening. If you follow directions carefully your ambition will be realized in a short time.

Aunt Jerusha.

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Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

Where did Burtis Wilson get the purple tie he wore to school Friday, May 21?

Vala Forsberg.

Dear Vala:—

We can't say for certain but we're pretty sure that he bought it at the Nickle and Dime Store.

Aunt Jerusha.

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Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

I am a Freshman and considered very pretty by many people. There is a young man in the Sophomore Class who I greatly admire. When we were both young we went to dancing school together but he does not seem to remember me. Do you think it would be proper for me to speak to him, thus renewing our acquaintance?

Jessie.

My dear Jessie:—

Forget him, my dear, forget him. If he wanted to know you he would have soon remembered knowing you at dancing school. I think his aspirations are higher than Freshmen girls.

Aunt Jerusha.

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Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

How can I get curly hair like Besie Baker's?

A Freshie.

Dear Freshie:—

You can get it the same way she did—buy it!

Aunt Jerusha.

* * *

Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

I had a queer dream the other night and I would like to know its significance. I dreamt that Vivian Thomas was going to be married to a widow. All preparations for the wedding were complete and the guests had all assembled but the bride failed to show up. What does it mean?

Elanarie.

Dear Aunt Jerusha:—

Your dream means this: Such an occurrence will take place in real life and you will take the place of the bride who fails to show up.

Aunt Jerusha.

OUR WEEKLY SHORT STORY.

Streetville's Lesson.

Streetville was in confusion. A strike was on. The young ladies were on their dignity. They had gathered for an indignation meeting at the call of the village "Belle" Carolina Marguerita Clayburn. The result was an emphatically enforced strike against the young men of the village. Not one of them (and some of them were right nice young men too) could coax, threaten, or force a girl to speak to him, let alone give him permission to visit her on Sunday evening (Sunday evening calls were the fashion in Streetville).

But to come back to how the affair all started we must be introduced further to Carolina Marguerita Clayburn. She was one of those lasses with eyes like the downy waves, teeth like pearls, a complexion like a lily and hair like that sweetest of golden sweets molasses candy. Now Carolina knew how to flirt and was spoiled by a string of doting admirers. Coquettish as she was she was quite sensible down underneath that fluffy little head of hers and had always intended to marry Samuel Parkins Goldsmith when the proper time should offer itself. Samuel was an only son of wealthy retired farmers. He was handsome and wore a pompadour just like the city swells. Although Carolina did not relish the appearance of his check suit she was wise enough to say nothing, correctly concluding that after she married him would be time enough to change that. So Carolina gave poor Samuel Parkins a chase for his money. Carolina knew that competition bred ardor.

Things were progressing nicely and all would have been well had not Carolina Marguerita gotten hold of an article written by some one just for the purpose of causing trouble. This article was addressed to girls in all towns. It sympathized beautifully with them on how hard a proposition it is to know when the right man comes along. Then it went on to tell in the most convincing manner how every girl might know. When a young man proposed, his lady should tell him to drop to his knees if he loved her. If he did she should accept him. If he didn't visa versa. Well the long and short of it was Carolina decided to test dear Samuel by this method when he should propose that night for oh! yes Carolina knew he was going to. She had it all arranged. So that night when the moon was shining and the air was sweet with honey suckles and prim-roses, out in the summer house the thing

happened. Samuel said, "I love you, Be mine", and Carolina said, "kneel to me if you do." Now what was the poor fellow to do. He had on his dearly beloved check suit and the ground of the summer house was just plain dirt. Well, before either knew it the momentous question was forgotten and they were thick in a battle of how a man should propose if he wants yes for an answer. The result was that Carolina Marguerita walked haughtily from the summer house vowing vengeance on all mankind. Hence the indignation meeting of the girls of the town and the strike.

The poor boys—how lonely they were. When the story opens Samuel was found in his back yard viciously sawing wood, calling himself all manner of names for having been such a stubborn brute. How willingly he would now go down on his knees oh! if only Carolina would look at him. The lady in question might have been found crying in the summer house but as we don't know for sure we won't suggest that she was. But you can imagine her state of feeling when she picked up another magazine and read that only men who are thinking of effect and are not truly in earnest go down on their knees.

Well any way after the strike had been on for three days Carolina Marguerita ventured forth with a nose suspiciously powdered.

An what was her luck but at the corner and right at a mud puddle too, should she bump into Samuel Parkins Goldsmith himself. Carolina gave a little squeal as Samuel started down to the ground. They were observed by as many as twenty eyes but little knew or cared they. Samuel was on his knees in that mud puddle but when he raised humble eyes what was his surprise to see Carolina kneeling opposite with tears streaming down her cheeks.

That evening there was a big celebration. The strike was off. When teased about her action Carolina Marguerita merely retorted, Well I wasn't going to let him kneel to me after that other article I read and so Streetville had its lesson and her young men now propose as they have the courage and heart and the young ladies say yes or no according to the dictates of their hearts.

In conclusion we may say that:

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What we've left undone, to do,

But the annuals left behind us

Really show us nothing new.

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 experience. He is an old
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Jokes

Mrs. Eastman: "Yes, omnibus is the dative of omnia."

G. D.: "What is jitney bus the dative of?"

Herbert Copp: "Isn't that war just about all over?"

Carl Erbstein: "Yes, just about all over Europe."

Evelyn Hudson (on her first day at High School): "In assembly do we have to sit in the seat with the letter on it that corresponds with the initial of our last name?"

Mary Graves: "I don't love anybody but — (R. E. ?)."

Let x equal the unknown quantity.

Mr. Anderson: "Did you ever see a carriage with five wheels on it?"

Joseph T.: "Yes."

Mr. A.: "Where was the fifth wheel?"

Joseph: "Tied on the back."

Teacher: "Well, if you can't define perennial, give me an example."

Student: "Century plant."

Miss Buhlig: "Frances, write your sentence on the board so I can hear it."

Miss Buhlig (teaching a class to tell time in German): "Lester, this noon when it is 1:10 and you must go to school, what will you say?"

Lester Turner: "Nothing. I'll stay at home."

Mr. Sinnett (in History): "Where is Egypt?"

Erla De Laney: "In South America."

Mr. Robb: "Let us open our maps to page 144."

Hazel Spalding (in History): "The Duke of Norfolk could fill eleven seats in the House of Parliament."

What's the Use?

Weep and you're called a baby;
 Laugh and you're called a fool;
 Yield and you're called a coward;
 Stand and you're called a mule;
 Smile and they call you silly;
 Frown and they call you gruff;
 Put on a front like a millionaire
 And some guy calls you a bluff.—*Ex.*

At Track Meet.

Somebody: "Isn't that Thomas boy cute!"

Do you know that—

Marion McCabe was arrested?

Vivian Thomas is fond of sending postals?

The *Star* has a *Ray*?

Bert Metcalf never fibs?

Miss Sturgeon (discussing the child labor question): "They got all the facts from the factory."

Robert Cline (giving an oration from the *Outlook*): "He liked to walk in the woods and watch the birds sitting in the trees and elsewhere."

Melba Carlson: "Ben Sperbeck locked Fraser Vance in a locker."

Marie Williams: "Did Fraser know it?"

At the Big Eight Track Meet.

First Observer: "There are three colored boys in this race."

Second Observer: (consulting score card) "What race is this?"

First Observer: "The colored race."

Act 1. Girl and lover.

Act 2. Father and dog.

Act 3. Father and lover.

Act 4. Lover and dog.

Act 5. Dog. (Goodnight!)—*Ex.*

Miss Helpenstell: "Why do we have Leap Year?"

Sarah Levenstein: "To give the girls a chance to propose."

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